

Comment for planning application 23/00853/OUT

Application Number	23/00853/OUT
Location	Land East Of Warwick Road Drayton Warwick Road Banbury
Proposal	Outline application for up to 170 dwellings (Use Class C3) with associated open space and vehicular access off Warwick Road, Banbury; All matters reserved except for access
Case Officer	Richard Greig
Organisation Name	Nicola Bromby
Address	Castle Cottage,6 Springfield,Hanwell,Banbury,OX17 1HG
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I OBJECT to this planning application because:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Cherwell District has confirmed that it has a 5.4 year land supply and so this development is not needed.2) The proposed development would coalesce Hanwell and Banbury, against District and National planning policy.3) This development is not in the adopted or draft local plan and is therefore contrary to local planning and spacial policy.4) The proposed development is high grade Best and Most Versatile farmland (ALC grade 2 and 3a). At a time when food security and protection of our farmland for the future is key, and when there are a mass of brownfield options available, developing this farmland for housing is madness and of course against planning policy.5) Hanwell is a Conservation Area. The Conservation Area Appraisal clearly states that the land around the boundary to the north and south is important to the setting for the Conservation Area and as such should be protected from unsympathetic development. Development up to (and visible from) the Conservation area is of course unsympathetic in any form. It identifies development to the South is a key threat and states that the Council WILL preserve the setting of the Castle grounds and of the Conservation Area and WILL promote the retention of SIGNIFICANT open spaces and FIELD SYSTEMS around the village.6) Safety. Hanwell has already seen a significant increase in traffic as a result of other nearby developments. In places the main road through Hanwell is single track and vehicles regularly mount the pavements to pass. Further development will exacerbate this issue.7) Sustainability. The development is not sustainable - travel to/from the development will largely be by private car. Local roads in Banbury are already extremely congested at peak times, with Hennef Way documented as one of the worst for air pollution in the South of England. in addition, public services are broken - doctors are over stretched and there are no NHS dentists taking on new patients in the area.8) Environment - the fields that this application will destroy if approved are home to a vast array of wildlife and deer are regularly seen here. Development of this land will destroy their natural habitat.9) Hanwell is home to an observatory. The plan to limit light pollution only considers the lights fitted by the developer and is therefore fundamentally flawed. The observatory is a Community facility that must be protected.
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