

## The Planning Inspectorate

### COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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**Appeal Reference: APP/C3105/W/24/3338211**

#### DETAILS OF THE CASE

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Appeal By VISTRY HOMES LTD

Site Address  
Land east of Warwick Road  
Banbury  
OX16 1HD  
Grid Ref Easting: 433313  
Grid Ref Northing: 243119

#### SENDER DETAILS

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#### ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- Appellant
- Agent
- Interested Party / Person
- Land Owner
- Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- Final Comments
- Proof of Evidence
- Statement
- Statement of Common Ground
- Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- Other

## YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

I am writing to object to the planning application made by Vistry Homes to build 170 houses on the fields next to Hanwell. The development would cause Hanwell to join up with the Banbury urban area and this is against the adopted Cherwell Local Plan 2011-2031. Indeed, the site is not allocated for housing in the Local Plan.

Banbury has been extending out towards Hanwell but I am of the strong opinion that this application should be refused. Hanwell Chase, the northernmost housing, is built up to the edge of the established woodland buffer zone which provides an effective boundary for Banbury.

It is very important that the village identity of Hanwell should be retained - the village is a picturesque conservation area with St Peter's Church & the historic Hanwell Castle with its beautiful parkland. The proposed Vistry housing development would swamp the village & cause the village identity & character to be lost.

These proposed houses would be built in open countryside - grades 2 & 3a farmland which are used for growing cereals and food crops. This is valuable high grade agricultural land which should not be lost to housing.

The proposed development land lies on the top of the north-south ironstone ridge and would be very visible for miles around, spoiling the landscape views.

Cherwell has more than met its housing obligations so there is no justifiable reason for this land to be sacrificed for more housing development. There are other areas which should be developed BEFORE such an important site is even considered for development.

I therefore strongly urge you to refuse consent for this application.