

## Matthew Swinford

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**To:** Planning <Planning@Cherwell-DC.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** New comments for application 19/01705/OUT

New comments have been received for application 19/01705/OUT at site address: Land Adjoining And West Of Bloxham Recreation Ground South Newington Road Bloxham

from Claire Martin 

**Address:**  
3 Hyde Grove, Bloxham, Banbury, OX15 4HZ

**Comment type:**  
Objection

**Comments:**  
I strongly object to this development for the following reasons:

- 1) Bloxham has been subject to five new large housing estates in the last decade leaving the facilities of the village stretched beyond limits such as car parking for the shops. The high street is chaotic and dangerous with the number of cars and users. It is only a matter of time before someone gets injured. The Primary School is at full and does not have the capacity to expand or cope with the number of additional children that the proposed development will bring - potentially a squeezed school would not be able to offer a high standard of education to all children. Soon local children will not be able to get places in their village school. The main road through the village is already busy and adding another housing estate is only going to increase traffic.
- 2) Access to the proposed development is dangerous and puts current residents at risk. The only access to this site would be onto a bend on the notoriously busy A361 as it approaches the village. The A361 is known for frequent traffic incidents and this new development would put even more pressure on a very busy and often dangerous road.
- 3) According to Cherwell Local Plan, the area has already covered its quota of new build housing, and this development would be surplus to requirement while there are many other areas in the county that require more housing. Current houses are not selling demonstrating that there is not the need for 95 new houses in this rural village location.
- 4) The area is a flood plain and the proposed development poses an increased flood risk to the village and the houses located close by.
- 5) There is an extremely high and damaging environmental impact to the local area. The fields in the plan are adjacent to The Slade wildlife reserve, and building work and housing would have a negative impact on wildlife and plants in that area. The Slade Nature Reserve is looked after by people in the community and this proposed development is likely to spoil and completely destroy this peaceful, vital place for wildlife and people to enjoy. This space is used by the whole community throughout the year and it would be devastating to the village if this was lost.

This proposed development would be damaging to the village and have a long-lasting negative impact on its community

Case Officer:  
Samantha Taylor

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