

From: Adrian Mills
Sent: 09 October 2019 21:49
To: Planning <Planning@Cherwell-DC.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Planning Application 19/01705/OUT

Thank you for your email.
My postal address is :

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Kind regards
Adrian Mills

On Wed, Oct 9, 2019 at 2:03 PM Planning <Planning@cherwell-dc.gov.uk> wrote:
Good Afternoon,

Please could you supply your full postal address so that we can register your comments against the application.

Thank you

Regards
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-----Original Message-----

From: Adrian Mills
Sent: 08 October 2019 19:31
To: Samantha Taylor
Subject: Planning Application 19/01705/OUT

Dear Samantha Taylor

I would like to make some comments about the above referenced application to build approximately 85 dwellings on a site adjacent to the Recreation Ground in Bloxham.

I live opposite the Recreation Ground in Bloxham, having originally been influenced in buying the house because of the views of the open countryside on the opposite side of the Recreation Ground.

The building of so many houses will turn a pleasant rural area into no more than a playing field in the middle of a housing estate.

In the past we have often enjoyed walk along the Slade Nature Reserve, a registered District wildlife site, with plenty of evidence of wildlife. This will all be bound to disappear with so many houses in close proximity as the Slade draws on this field to support the wildlife.

There seems to be part of flood plain covering the site, and I can't help but think that covering a large area with concrete and tarmac will do anything but make the risk of flooding worse both for the field, recreation ground and houses in Hyde Grove. It seems too easy for an organisation , which will not be building the houses, to promise that measures would be taken to alleviate the problem.

Bloxham has a Neighbourhood Development Plan which has been developed over several years. It plans for a controlled increase in house building . This development would greatly exceed the Development plan and Cherwell's Local plan part 1:Policy Villages 2.

An extra 85 houses would mean potentially another 170 cars trying to get through the village of Bloxham at peak times, which is a bottleneck at the best of times. And that will just be made worse by the extra 40 houses planned for Milcombe: all the extra cars feeding onto the A361 ,through Bloxham, towards Banbury at peak times for work/shopping etc.

Bloxham Primary School has been full to capacity for some time, with no capacity to extend further. Any children associated with these new houses would have to be educated in schools outside the village. Again increasing the amount of traffic on the A361 through the centre of Bloxham at peak times.

The Bloxham Doctors surgery is extremely busy as it is. It is difficult to get an appointment at the moment. An extra 85 houses with the associated quota of young children requiring medical attention would put the Doctors and Dentists surgeries under a lot of extra pressure and it is difficult to see how they could expand to cope.

Building outside existing village boundaries would enlarge Bloxham into a small town, while maintaining the infrastructure of a village.

I hope you will be able to take my comments into consideration objecting to the development put forward by Gladman when making decisions about this planning application.

Adrian Mills
Bloxham Resident since 1978