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Ms Clare Whitehead
Case Officer, Development Management
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Ref: Great Lakes UK Ltd – Planning Application No: 19/02550/F

Dear Ms Whitehead,

In response to the above planning application I cannot express my objection strongly enough. In short; it represents a wholly misplaced proposal as it is quite simply the most inappropriate development in the most unsuitable location.

The reasons that identify this application as wholly inappropriate and unsuitable are countless. The most significant I believe are:

The existing and already congested road infrastructure (and that of surrounding villages) will not be able to cope with the additional traffic. Irrespective of traffic direction plans the reliance that people now have on 'sat-nav' systems will direct drivers via totally unsuitable and potentially dangerous rural lanes.

It is unsustainable in its expectations of recruitment as it will create increased demand on an already stretched employment market. The speculated benefits to local businesses are spurious and the 500k sq.ft development will irreversibly destroy the current green landscape and its ecology.

The development will damage an existing sports facility and add to other significant builds in the area such as the development of Kingsmere, Axis J9, Link 9, Bicester Gateway and Bicester Heritage. It is also contrary to Cherwell's strategic aim of prioritising Knowledge based business investment.

The local infrastructure will not be able to support another development of this size. The proposal is not in accordance with the local development plan and there are no material considerations that would warrant planning permission being granted.

The proposal is in the wrong location and it should be refused. This is a speculative and audacious submission without due consideration or respect to appropriate consultation with the Council or a correct approach to the planning application process.

Yours sincerely

A large black rectangular box redacting the signature of Lawrence Beckett.

Lawrence Beckett