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Ms Clare Whitehead
Development Management
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Ref:- Great Lakes UK Ltd -
Application Ref:- 19/02550/F

Dear Sirs,

I wish to strongly object to the above-mentioned application on the grounds that this proposal is not in accordance with the local development plan.

I have lived in the area for 55 years and at my current residence in Chesterton for 27 years. Over the last few years we have seen many changes to our small historic village, which have diversely affected the quiet village life that we value. This latest development is the last straw in what has been a total abuse of our way of life.

This development includes a 900-space car park

indicating a significant reliance on car travel which goes against the Cherwell strategy of reducing car usage. The existing road infrastructure cannot cope with the estimated extra 1000+ daily car movements. I have to travel 18 miles to work along the A34, a journey that used to take me 20 minutes. It now typically takes 40 minutes and with the projected increase in traffic due to this new development things are going to become much worse.

Chesterton is already a "rat-run" and experiences major congestion as an escape route during the many traffic issues on the M40 & A34. The increased traffic through Chesterton and the surrounding countryside will cause increased risk to local people that enjoy walking, running & cycling in the area.

In addition to several other significant proposals approved in Bicester, its unacceptable routing plans via Middleton Stoney, Weston on the Green and Wendlebury, will seriously affect the already stressed A34, A41, A4095 and B430. This will also result in a significant deterioration in air quality and a substantial increase in noise pollution for local residents.

This development will comprise 500,000 square feet of building on a greenfield site, irreversibly removing important green space and disrupting ecological habitats for an abundance of wildlife. I enjoy walks and running in this area and this will be destroyed if this development goes ahead.

for the above reasons, I strongly request that planning permission NOT be granted for this application.

Yours faithfully,

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Gray Clench.