Comment for planning application 19/02550/F

Application Number

Location

Land to the east of M40 and south of A4095 Chesterton Bicester Oxon

Proposal

Redevelopment of part of golf course to provide new leisure resort (sui generis) incorporating waterpark, family entertainment centre, hotel, conferencing facilities and restaurants with associated access, parking and landscaping

Case Officer

Clare Whitehead

Organisation

Name

Chris Hill

Type of Comment

neighbour

Comments

Address

Type

Objection

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Dear Sirs While I am not directly affected by this development, I wish to object to it most strongly. It is quite clearly an unexpectable development in the proposed location, for the following reasons: 1. It will destroy half of a major golf course, thereby making non-viable the current Bicester Hotel Golf and Spa, to which it will be a direct competitor. 2. It will destroy existing trees and hedges, which will not be replaced in the new development. 3. It will require the removal or relocation of existing public footpaths. 4. It will replace ground absorbing grasses and trees with solid parking and buildings. 5. The size of the building is massively bigger than any other building in the area and will have a massive impact on their views. 6. Access to the building is totally unacceptable. All road access will need to be through Chesterton, Weston-on-the-Green or Middleton Stoney/Ardley, none of which are suitable for the traffic that would be needed. 7. Including a large hotel implies that its users will stay for several or more days. It is difficult to see that would happen with only a basic waterpark. thus implying that they will also need to make visits to other locations, like Oxford, Blenheim, Bicester Village etc. It seems to be trying to be an alternative to Center Parcs, which has a much more developed plan based on lodges rather than a hotel and spread across a much larger area including forests, watersports and other activities. The proposal seems to be a total replication of their existing US sites, with minimal understanding about the English style of holidaying. As such, it will probably have to extend to provide more functionality or it will die. In either case it would just be destroying OUR countryside while providing no benefits. Regards Chris Hill

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