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For the attention of Ms Clare Whitehead, Case Officer, Development Management, Cherwell District Council, Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury OX15 4AA

REF: Great Lakes UK Ltd. - Planning Application No: 19/02550/F

I am writing to oppose the above planning application as the proposal is not in accordance with the local development plan.

However, my main objection concerns the irreversible change of land use. In this time of environmental and ecological catastrophe, the loss of this greenfield site is short-sighted in the extreme. As farming has to change, more land will be required to make it sustainable, with the use of fewer inputs, to produce food for an ever growing population. When diversity became a priority, planning permission was granted for change of land use from agriculture to leisure, as in this case to a golf-course, because it meant the land remained 'green' and there was always the possibility of a reversal to productive farm land. This planning application removes that possibility completely as it comprises 500,000 sq.ft. of building and 900 car parking spaces.

As well as the implications laid out above, this development will devastate the habitat for the abundant wildlife presently found on the site, as well as scarring the landscape.

Yours sincerely,

Alison Redgrave

