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Sent: 20 May 2019 11:38
To: Bob Neville
Cc: Cllr Arash Ali Fatemian; DC Support
Subject: 19-00619-F - Land East Of The Leys Adderbury

Hi Bob,

I have looked over the above application and have the following comments to make.

Planning application:	19/00619/F
Location:	Land East Of The Leys Adderbury
Description:	Erection of 3 No dwellings on land east of The Leys, Adderbury
Type:	Full Development
Case Officer:	Bob Neville

Recommendation:

Oxfordshire County Council, as the Local Highways Authority, hereby notify the District Planning Authority that they **object** to the granting of planning permission.

Comments:

The proposals access is off The Leys which incorporates a very tight 90 degree bend which severely restricts forward visibility. It is my understanding that the service road is used by Thames Water to access a pumping station that is at the end of the, The Leys.

Whilst I accept The Leys is used for utilities and a single dwelling to be accessed, any intensification of The Leys with three dwellings will present a highway safety concern with the possibility of vehicles giving way to one another and potentially relying upon either road users who are traveling in opposing directions to reverse back to a safe point to allow one user to pass the other safely. I understand from my colleague Beth Rutterford that Adderbury 5 footpath runs through and along the service road. I would have concerns therefore with potential new residents having to reverse to give way to oncoming traffic with the potential of pedestrians using the same space as road users and the conflict that this will give rise too.

From looking at the proposed site layout, the actual plots look acceptable with a suitable turning area within the plot to allow vehicles to access and egress in a forward driving gear.

Were this scheme to be approved I would be looking for suitable passing places along the service road so the conflict of potential reversing along the road is designed out and will allow a safe and suitable access to the site for residents, utilities and pedestrians.

Notwithstanding the above, the proposals are likely to have any adverse impact upon the local highway network from a traffic and safety point of view, therefore I offer an objection.

If you would like to discuss any of the above in more detail, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

With regards,

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