Comment for planning application 19/02708/OUT

Application Number 19/02708/OUT

Location

Bicester Heritage Buckingham Road Bicester

Proposal

Outline: - Provide new employment units comprising B1 (Business), B2 (General Industrial), B8 (Storage) and D1 (Education) uses with ancillary offices, storage, display and sales, with all matters reserved except for access

Case Officer

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Name

Type

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Type of Comment

Comment neighbour

Comments

I always thought that Bicester Heritage/Motion were in support of flying at what is a unique airfield, this application will make flying almost impossible not only for gliding but any aviation, I feel that the emphasis has changed and is now very money driven and the airfield and it's inhabitants have just become an inconvenience, not to mention the disruption that their plans will bring to the town. I did think that the council were in support of gliding continuing at Bicester and keeping the airfield open, by building all around it there are serious flight safety issues. I first came to Bicester in 1968 as my step father was the Commanding Officer at RAF Bicester, I lived in the town after he left the Air Force and have supported the gliding there ever since, now over 52 years. I cannot support an application that could see this come to an end too many airfields are being lost to developers, gliding especially. A lot of people have invested a lot of time effort and money to keep gliding at Bicester, it is part of the towns heritage, is one of the busiest and best in the country. Please do not let this be lost to yet more developers. Some things are too important to lose for the sake of a few 'quid' I would hope that Bicester town council will continue to support gliding like it has over the last 60 plus years. It is in a great location, it is thriving, if it goes then the airfield will be lost and yet more history will be just a memory surely we owe it to future generations to keep these things going, whilst I understand the need for change this will not be one for the better and I think someone needs to look into Bicester Motions plans for the future, I think you will find it doesn't involve gliding, probably doesn't involve flying at all as if you build all around an airfield suddenly there are serious flight safety implications. Bicester has a very impressive flight safety record both from RAFGSA days and now. I do hope that the council will take a very serious and long look at what is going on and what is planned and ultimately make the right decision. Please don't let this airfield be lost to the money men like so many have .

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