Comment for planning application 20/01830/F

Application Number	20/01830/F	
Location	Proposed Roundabout Access To Graven Hill And Wretchwick Green London Road Bicester	
Proposal	Proposed roundabout junction	
Case Officer	Rebekah Morgan	
Organisation		
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Address	5 Roberts Drive, Ambrosden, Bicester, OX25 2AW	
Type of Comment	Objection	
Туре	neighbour	
Comments	This is in an area that is under development, will be surrounded by housing, and is adjacent to places of employment. I expect there will be lots of people wishing to cycle to/from Bicester and local amenities. This particular design fails to enable sustainble transport. The plans need to be redesigned to add high quality cycling infrastructure as per the recent LTN 1/20 Cycle infrastructure design document published on GOV.UK. Roundabouts are particularly high risk for people walking and cycling, therefore any road redesign must mitigate the danger from moving motor vehicles and must ensure physical separation of motor traffic and human traffic. The junctions on this proposed plan lack such measures. Please provide physically segregated wide cycle paths. Please design the junction to make the carriageway narrower and reduce speeding. The junction as proposed, appears to encourage drivers to move at high speed and put people at risk. Thinking more broadly, design that is more favourable to motor traffic than people walking or cycling, discourages those thinking about environmentally freindly transport options and consequently increases UK carbon emissions. Enabling sustainable local transport by providing safe cycling infrastructure is a relatively easy way of reducing carbon and making sure Cherwell can comply with UK's commitments to reducing its grennhouse gas emissions. Additionally, more journeys by bicycle means less air pollution and lower incidence of lung disease. Children's lungs are particularly susceptible to air pollution and stunted lung development has been observed in children living in high traffic areas. Enabling cycling allows people to build some physical activity in their daily life, acting preventatively for cardiovascular disease and obesity, which will reduce the burden on our NHS. This is a design not suitably attuned to the challenges of the 21st century.	
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