Comment for planning application 20/01933/F

Application Number 20/01933/F

Location Barn In OS Parcel 0545 West Of Withycombe Farm Wigginton

Proposal Erection of one residential dwelling for multi-generational living (para 79 house) and

landscape enhancements and associated works

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Type of Comment

Support

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Type Comments

neighbour

It seems such a pity that the many benefits to the environment and wildlife are not being taken fully into account. We are being exhorted by David Attenborough to preserve and save our planet, and this can be done one patch at a time. But let's not delay, time is running out. Reading the explanatory comments regarding what is proposed it is obvious that much consideration has been given to enhancing this area. A mixed woodland in place of dying ash trees will support a myriad wildlife - insect, amphibian and mammal. I was particularly pleased to see that provision has been made to ameliorate any tendency to flooding in this area. We have all seen how devastating this can be. The Filter Wetland drains into the lake as well as being a perfect habitat for wildlife that is under pressure in our increasingly hot summers and mild, wet winters. The Rill Garden performs a similar function. The proliferation of native woodland is an obvious bonus while shielding the house from view. I heard that the design was described as 'hideous'. This is a matter of personal taste, of course, but I find it hard to believe that someone who demonstrates such an acute aesthetic sensitivity to her surroundings would choose to build something that fails to meld with them. And I doubt that the house will be dowsed in floodlights so light pollution is not an issue. The last time I walked round there I remembered that there are no domestic dwellings anywhere near the proposed building. A visit to the site and a close study of the proposal for it's development would, I believe, show the enormous benefits to be derived from its approval.

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