Comment for planning application 20/02060/F

Application Number | 20/02060/F

Location

The Stables Main Street Great Bourton Cropredy OX17 1QU

Proposal

Change of use of land to a mixed use for the keeping of horses (existing) and as a residential caravan site for 4no gypsy families. Each with two caravans (including no more than 4no static caravans / mobile homes) together with the laying of hardcore.

Case Officer

Bob Neville

Organisation

Name

Lynda Dixon-Hart

Address

18 Station Road, Cropredy, Banbury, OX17 1PP

Type of Comment

Objection

Type

neighbour

Comments

I object to the proposed plans for the following reasons: 1) The proposed site is on the green zone that currently separates the distinct villages of Cropredy and Great Bourton. Allowing development here constitutes development outside the villages' boundaries. 2) The proposed development is in the heart of Cropredy's flood zone. Previous proposals to develop flood plains near to the School have been refused on this ground alone. 3) As the caravans would not be connected to mains sewerage, there is a risk of sewage from the site contaminating the neighbouring school and adjoining brook that children play in as part of their Forest School activities. 4) A public footpath runs through the site. 5) There is already considerable non residential provision within the village of Cropredy - both along the canal and in the newly enlarged marina (349 berths). 6) CDC need to decide what the plan for Cropredy is? The planning permissions granted for the marina, for 2 touring caravan sites, for the fishing pool up School Lane along with visitors to the canal, historic battle field sites and annual festival are all consistent with the aims of boosting local tourism. Indeed during recent months, the number of visitors to the village has noticeably increased. Permitting development on the green field sites that make Cropredy an attractive place to visit - is not consistent with this aim. 7) CDC has previously granted permission for the marina to expand stating that it would provide "economic benefit, resulting in a small number of additional jobs, and the increase in temporary visitorsmay assist in supporting village services". Permitting development that is unsympathetic with the rural character of the village, including this proposal, will deter visitors and adversely impact the local economy.

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