## Comment for planning application 20/02453/F

Application Number	20/02453/F	
Location	Hornton Grounds Quarry Hornton	
Proposal	A fuel depot including ancillary offices, the installation of plant and hardstanding	
Case Officer	Bob Neville	
Organisation		
Name	Banbury Town Council	
Address	Banbury Town Council, Town Hall, Town Hall Buildings, Bridge Street, Banbury, OX16 5QB	
Type of Comment	Support	
Туре	neighbour	
Comments	It is recognised that CDC as planning authority will determine this application after a careful assessment of this proposal against national and local planning policy, an assessment of the proposal's impact upon traffic safety, and impact upon landscape character and appearance, and upon residential amenity, and taking into account any special circumstances that may be appropriate . Banbury Town Council consider that a significant special circumstance that needs to be considered as part of the balancing exercise is the strong need to find an acceptable alternative site for this business that is currently located in the Canalside development area allocated in the Cherwell Local Plan (Policy BAN 1). Whilst that is a policy proposing a mixed use development, the fuel depot is a non-conforming development that due to its size, nature and traffic generation is incompatible with new residential development and needs to be relocated. Failure to find an alternative site will either force the closure of the business or the frustration of the Council's intended redevelopment policy (which is a fundamental part of the supply of land for housing). It is noted that CDC's Economic Development Officer stresses both the importance of maintaining the future fuel supply to rural areas and the difficulty of finding acceptable alternative sites. Banbury TC share this view and therefore urge the approval of this proposal.	
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