

Comment for planning application 20/02453/F

Application Number	<input type="text" value="20/02453/F"/>
Location	<input type="text" value="Hornton Grounds Quarry Hornton"/>
Proposal	<input type="text" value="A fuel depot including ancillary offices, the installation of plant and hardstanding"/>
Case Officer	<input type="text" value="Bob Neville"/>
Organisation	<input type="text" value=""/>
Name	<input type="text" value="Tim Hewlett"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="Copscap Barn,Eastgate,Hornton,Banbury,OX15 6BT"/>
Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
Type	<input type="text" value="neighbour"/>
Comments	<p>We wish to add our strong objection to this planning application and support the overwhelming opposition from residents of Hornton, nearby villages and Hornton Parish Council. We have 9 areas of complaint. Firstly, the noise pollution from a continuous 24 hour operation of bulk fuel lorries accessing and departing the site would be unacceptable. The reversing hazard warnings are clearly heard in Hornton from the stone cutting lorries, so for this to continue overnight would be intrusive into a rural community. The air pollution is also a major factor. With an easterly wind, factory smells from Banbury are evident in Hornton; with a prevailing south west to westerly wind the inevitable smell of fuel oil and diesel, only 2 miles away, would be totally unacceptable and a health hazard to nearby residents. The proposed location is nowhere near the CDC approved HGV routes in and around North Oxfordshire. Why on earth take a major industrial HGV site away from the M40 and Junction 11, and place it in the middle of the quiet, unspoilt countryside? From a highways perspective, the turn into Hornton Grounds is only 150 yards from a bend in the A422 Stratford road. It is a hazard at the moment with the stone lorries accessing the site albeit in daylight hours but add 24 hour operations, a huge increase in the HGV traffic and speeding vehicles and motorbikes heading towards Banbury and it constitutes an accident waiting to happen. I have serious concerns that the spillage issue has not been addressed satisfactorily and the threat to the water course and nearby tributaries is graver than anticipated. The D'Arcy Dalton Way cuts directly across the road at this point. Why introduce an HGV operation that cuts across a nationally acclaimed public footpath? I am also concerned that security to Hornton Grounds Farm, the residents and the livestock that graze in the immediate vicinity is threatened. With rural crime on the increase, permanent access of a 24 hour operation can only be detrimental. Finally, and perhaps the most damning, is CDC's hypocritical attitude to all the current and future proposals detailed in the Planning Development 2040 which focuses on protecting rural communities. Sir David Gilmour's letter in the Banbury Guardian on 29th October makes this point very succinctly. By even considering a planning application for the Wroxton motocross and allowing this application to get this far, makes a mockery of all that CDC claim to uphold.</p>
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