

# Comment for planning application 20/02453/F

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| <b>Application Number</b> | <input type="text" value="20/02453/F"/>  |
| <b>Location</b>           | <input type="text" value="Hornton Grounds Quarry Hornton"/>  |
| <b>Proposal</b>           | <input type="text" value="A fuel depot including ancillary offices, the installation of plant and hardstanding"/>  |
| <b>Case Officer</b>       | <input type="text" value="Bob Neville"/>   |
| <b>Organisation</b>       | <input type="text"/>   |
| <b>Name</b>               | <input type="text" value="Darren Harding"/>  |
| <b>Address</b>            | <input type="text" value="2 Queens Crescent, Drayton, Banbury, OX15 6EJ"/>   |
| <b>Type of Comment</b>    | <input type="text" value="Objection"/>   |
| <b>Type</b>               | <input type="text" value="neighbour"/>   |
| <b>Comments</b>           | <input type="text" value="Our family objects to the proposal. An all but identical application at Sugarswell Business Park was refused by Cherwell DC last October. This application raises the same issues and more. There is the very real risk of a spill, or leak, entering the local water system, causing potentially untold damage to a very wide area. The applicants carried out a site search for the Sugarswell application. That did NOT identify the site at Hornton Grounds Quarry. The site is NOT considered to be 'Brownfield' or 'Previously Developed' Land as per the NPPF definition. The site is in an environmentally unsustainable location, and would harm a valued rural landscape. The A422 west of Banbury is NOT identified on Oxfordshire's lorry route map (and for good reason). The site is completely inaccessible by sustainable forms of transport (e.g. public transport and cycling). The application does not identify all likely vehicle trips, notably the delivery of fuel to the site by large tankers. The site access has proven to be significantly deficient in terms of available visibility, well below the required standard and is on to a stretch of road with permanent ice hazard signs. The increased traffic will have a significant impact on several local communities, including Wroxton and Drayton especially, and harm local highway safety. The site is located within a quiet, 'dark sky' environment, within the Ironstone Downs landscape, and is completely inappropriate in that context, as it will introduce harm by virtue of light and noise pollution from its 24-hour operation. The site is within 250m of the Cotswold Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) designation, a national designation of over 50 years standing (since 1966). The application makes no mention of this within the submitted Landscape Visual Impact Assessment, Lighting and other reports. The site is located within 270m of the farm yard at Hornton Grounds, containing the Grade II Listed Farmhouse and attached and curtilage listed buildings, 3no. dwellings, a farm shop and successful Bed and Breakfast business. The impact on these will be significant and unacceptable. The application is unacceptable but the applicants already show an additional 7th tank on their site layout plan, and so are considering further growth down the line. The application is wholly inappropriate for this location and at odds with both national and local planning policies, including Cherwell District Council's Local Plan 2040. We have copied and pasted these but fully stand by all comments too."/> |
| <b>Received Date</b>      | <input type="text" value="25/11/2020 20:45:36"/>   |
| <b>Attachments</b>        |  |