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Re: Planning application 20/02453/F - OBJECTION

Madam/Sir,

Further to my objection posted on the CDC planning portal, I want to reiterate to you why I fundamentally object to this planning application.

It is fundamentally no different than the previous application made for the Sugarswell business estate and one of the reasons that was rejected was the proximity to the Cotswold AONB. This proposed area is also very close to AONB and so the same reasoning must prevail.

The significant increase in heavy goods vehicle movement to the motorway junctions at Banbury and Gaydon will blight the villages en-route, destroy the already deteriorated road surfaces and cause congestion and hold ups at the pinch point in Wroxton, Drayton and Edgehill. The latter is already congested due to the success of the Castle pub and I dread to think what damage will occur there, or even worse.

I'm sure as responsible public servants you have carried out thorough risk assessments on all these matters and this will inform your decision to reject the proposal.

The junction at on the A422 is far too close to the bends in either direction such that it will only be a matter of time before a very nasty accident occurs. And lets be clear how big the tankers are: 15.5m (51ft) long and carrying 36,000l (7,918 gal) of fuel. Slowly moving out into the path of vehicles doing at least 60 mph. I for one will avoid this part of the road if the proposal goes ahead and I recommend you do the same.

My final point, as made on the portal, is the impact it would have on the environment. And increase in noise, light and smell is inevitable with it's 24 hour, seven day a week operation my village and others nearby will all be blighted by this, FOREVER!

There are areas for industrial use already earmarked by the local plans and this is not one of them. It must make sense to build a depot such as this close to one of the two motorway junctions rather than bring industry into the countryside, mustn't it?

Please, surely you must see it as your duty to the county, the environment and the residents you represent to reject this application and find a more suitable solution?

Thank you.

Pete Lemon