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Subject: New comments for application 21/00343/F

New comments have been received for application 21/00343/F at site address: Land East Of The Leys Adderbury

from Colin & amp;

Address:

West Bank, Horn Hill Road, Adderbury, Banbury, OX17 3EU

Comment type:

Objection

Comments:

We object to this application for the following reasons: Under the Adderbury Neighbourhood Plan the location falls outside the agreed Settlement Boundary, which the local Plan states ought NOT to be supported for development purposes. Diversion of public footpath 101/5 would deprive the village of a safe, attractive green space. Pedestrians forced to walk further along the access road as a result of the public footpath diversion would be at risk from vehicles, especially on the bend. The steps at the top of the access road are also used by villagers to access the Lucy Plackett Playing Field and the MUGA - children in particular would be very vulnerable to traffic using the access road. Ownership of the access road is disputed by the Parish Council. The lower part of the access road is wellused by pedestrians walking into the village centre and is too narrow to safely accommodate the additional traffic this development would cause. The development would lead to loss of a number of established trees and would be detrimental to trees with a TPO (tree preservation order), including a 400 year old oak tree on the site boundary. The proposed footpath diversion would be detrimental to the trees with TPOs along the new route. The proposed footpath diversion emerges onto the access road at a point much closer to the bend, giving pedestrians less time to be aware of traffic. This is not development of scrubland, as suggested, but development of an established residential garden. The development would be detrimental to local wildlife and would destroy a wildlife corridor between the old railway embankment and the fields behind The Leys This is an original beatiful rural village interspersed with green spaces and that is what a majority of local residents seek to maintain in a environmentally and natural history sensitive way.

Case Officer: Bob Neville

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