

Comment for planning application 21/00477/F

Application Number	21/00477/F
Location	The Pheasant Pluckers Inn Burdrop OX15 5RQ
Proposal	Erection of an agricultural barn store (re-submission of 20/03347/F)
Case Officer	George Smith
Organisation Name	Christopher Steane
Address	Burdrop House, Street Through Burdrop, Burdrop, Banbury, OX15 5RQ
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I am the owner of Burdrop House. I object to this application on the following grounds: 1. The property is in a conservation area. 2. The description of the proposed building as an agricultural barn is misleading and disingenuous. I do not believe the land to be suitable for a commercial vineyard. A barn is not required for a vineyard of this scale. I believe the assertion that it is intended as a vineyard is a cover for the purpose of establishing a campsite with permanent toilet facilities, which would not be permissible or appropriate in this conservation area. 3. A campsite would be an intrusion into the valley between the Sibfords, an area subject of extensive precedents declining any use other than pure agricultural. A campsite requires toilet facilities. An application for a building to house toilet facilities in the location would be declined. This is the true purpose of this application. In passing, I note the threat to provide toilet facilities for a permanent or frequently used campsite by way of portaloos would be wholly unacceptable in the conservation area. If the applicant wishes to provide toilet facilities to campers, they should be provided within the existing buildings. 4. I have little sympathy with the applicant's assertions regarding commercial viability. Before the applicant purchased the pub it traded adequately. There is a long history of the applicant's abusive approach to the planning system in attempts to achieve a change of use, or to achieve alternative and inappropriate uses, in the course of which the value as a public house has by the Applicant's actions deteriorated even more significantly than the value of country pubs generally. This course of actions has unsurprisingly alienated the local community who have been deprived of a valued amenity. Given the planning history, it should be evident that the agricultural use proposed is, as I have indicated, not the true motivation. The applicant should adopt a commercial approach of creating a locally valued amenity, while respecting the location within a conservation area.</p>
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