Comment for planning application 21/00517/F

Application Number 21/00517/F

Land Used For Motorcross Stratford Road A422 Wroxton OX15 6HX

Creation of a motocross track and soft landscaping scheme and the change of use of agricultural land to hold moto-cross events including set-up, take down and private practice sessions, with associated camping site, for up to 65 days per year and agricultural grazing

(retrospective)

Case Officer George Smith

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Type of Comment

Objection

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I am writing to strongly object to: PLANNING APPLICATION REFERENCE 21/00517/F: "CREATION OF A MOTOCROSS TRACK AND SOFT LANDSCAPING SCHEME AND THE CHANGE OF USE OF AGRICULTURAL LAND TO HOLD MOTO-CROSS EVENTS INCLUDING SET-UP, TAKE DOWN AND PRIVATE PRACTICE SESSIONS, WITH ASSOCIATED CAMPING SITE, FOR UP TO 65 DAYS PER YEAR AND AGRICULTURAL GRAZING (RETROSPECTIVE)" I have lived the majority of my 40 years in the village of Hornton and remember referring to the Motocross track events as 'buzzy bees' in my childhood, something which was a minor inconvenience that only happened every once in a while. Unfortunately the same cannot be said about the track events as they are now. Gone are the 'buzzy bees' to be replaced by the loud, obnoxious drone of much more powerful bike engines and it is continuous, it seems, as soon as the weather is nice enough to sit outside and enjoy the garden. My children are currently not enjoying the same tranquil and peaceful childhood that I, and many other residents, had and will not be able to if the track is granted 65 days of races a year. Of equal concern is the amount and frequency of large, heavy vehicles on the small, poorly maintained road leading from the main Stratford road to the site, with the entrance on a blind bend. It is simply not a big enough road to cope with the amount of traffic that the events attract and has led to the road being in such a poor state that it is riddled with potholes, verge damage and is dangerous to drive on. I am astounded by the sheer arrogance and disregard for the local community that this track has been built up and events increased without having the proper planning permission. I am also disgusted at the lack of regard for local wildlife and the unauthorised works on the watercourse leading into the Sor Brook. This is a rural location on the edge of an area of outstanding natural beauty and by allowing the motocross track owner to ride roughshod over our tranquil, unspoilt corner of North Oxfordshire would be a disgrace and the damage would be irreversible. I stand with both Hornton Parish Council and their Environmental Planning/Legal Advisor and wholeheartedly hope that this retrospective planning permission is rejected once and for all.

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