Comment for planning application 21/00517/F

Application Number 21/00517/F

Location

Land Used For Motorcross Stratford Road A422 Wroxton OX15 6HX

Proposal

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

Organisation

Name

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Type of Comment

Objection

Type

neighbour

Comments

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 would like to register my objections to this planning application. Although I am the first to agree that the countryside is for everyone and should be enjoyed by everyone, I believe that there should be limitations and stipulations and restrictions in order for this statement to be maintained and to have meaning. Regarding the motor cross track, and the expansion of times and expansion of events, I feel this application will have only negative effects on our area and shows lack of foresight regarding the village of Hornton and surrounding countryside, dwellings and nearby villages. We have already experienced this past year the importance to health and welfare for people during COVID that the English countryside can and does provide, thereby reinforcing the importance of maintaining and preserving places of outstanding beauty and peace by making them available to everyone. Unfortunately, the moto-cross events do not only restrict themselves to an area of land in which to race, - they use an undulating and very visible track - difficult to camouflage within the area. Nor do they only occupy the surrounding fields for camping and fast food, nor do they only cause traffic disruption to the single lane tracks leading to our villages and homes but in addition and most importantly they create sound pollution from speaker commentary and motorbike engines, which cannot be retained and travels for miles and in all directions, depending on the wind direction and force. This is a sport that cannot be centred into one area - it effects more than the specific location/area and this is what makes this application extremely worrying and concerning. I don't want to spoil peoples sporting activities and also can see the benefits to young people's welfare by providing outlets, but I feel we should work together and may be limit the quantity of days per year. We have 52 weekends per year, I think the number of days - 65 - far exceeds one small village's hospitality - this would mean the track could and would be open every weekend and across children's holidays. We all have a responsibility to each other - Hornton to these young people, but the moto-cross organisers to Hornton. We need to reach a satisfactory and mutually acceptable agreement and to this end, I reject this application and propose that an alternative is reached.

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