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Dear Mr Smith

Re: Planning Application Ref 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)”

Further to our earlier objections to the above planning application, we are writing again to express our dismay and concern at learning recently that Banbury MX is planning to hold meetings at the track in April and May.

The Sunday 11 April event, just scheduled, is a “practice day” for local club members plus paying outsiders. The event on 8/9 May is the track being hired out for a round of the Apico Nationals. So much for “a local track for local people”, which they claim, but which, nowadays, is patently untrue.

Both these fixtures are ahead of the Target Decision Date of 25 May 2021 (as on the CDC planning portal). Surely this cannot be right? Our understanding was that, under instruction from CDC, there would be **no** activity of any kind at the track whilst the application was under consideration.

We are extremely anxious to know what enforcement action CDC is planning to take to prevent any race meetings at the track until a decision has been reached on this planning application.

We are also confused that the Supporting Documents for this application constantly refer to 24 days racing whilst the actual Application Proposal refers to "up to 65 days per year". This is one of numerous contradictions and inconsistencies in the applicant's submissions.

Your urgent attention to our immediate concerns would be appreciated and we remain strongly opposed to this application.

Yours sincerely

Mr and Mrs A Higgins