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> Subject: Planning application 21/00517/F - Wroxton Motorcross

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> I write to challenge the above application. Over the last five years there has been a very noticeable and alarming increase in the activity and noise generated by the Motorcross site. The development of the track from a small local amenity for local youngsters to enjoy, to a much larger, longer circuit built with the express intention of attracting professional riders on bigger, more powerful, noisier and more polluting machines has created the imminent potential for loss of residential amenity - meaning we will lose so many weekends of enjoying sitting in our private gardens each and every year due to the excessive noise pollution the expansion of the track facilities has created. And to date all this intensification has continued whilst CDC has seemingly turned a blind eye and deaf ear!

> Track operators have knowingly ignored/abused the planning system by operating well beyond the basic 28 (14+14) days allowed under Permitted Development Rights, whilst CDC has been alarmingly slow in taking enforcement action despite concerns raised by Hornton residents.

> Has the changes made to the topography of agricultural land been lawful? Has the change to the watercourse on the site and adjoining privately owned land been lawful?. I understand CDC's Building Control Service Manager, Tony Brummell, has advised that there have been breaches of the Land Drainage Act in that unauthorised works have happened in damming and draining the watercourse, an important tributary to Sor Brook.

> There is a whole raft of Cherwell Local Plan Policies that will be contravened should this application be allowed - unjustified and unsustainable form of development in a rural location (SLE1 SLE4 ESD1), major detrimental visual impact in a rural location, including adverse impact on wildlife habitats and harm to adjacent rights of way amenity (ESD13 ESD15); traffic congestion and danger resulting from hundreds of vans and motorhomes using the narrow local lane network and the dangerous crossroads junction on and off the A422, and resultant extra traffic through the villages of Drayton, Wroxton, Wroxton Heath (Saved Policy TR10, C31 Cherwell Local Plan 1996 and ESD15 Local Plan 2011-2031) .(Oxford Highways seem to have conducted a survey based solely on data supplied by the applicant, a highly questionable conclusion having been arrived at.) In conclusion I am wholly supportive of Hornton Parish Council and their planning consultant's analysis and challenge to this application.

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> Yours sincerely

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