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**For the attention of George Smith Esq**

8<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dear Mr Smith,

**Wroxton Motocross Application: Cherwell District Council Reference: 21/00517/F**

On behalf of my wife and myself I am writing to object to the above noted Motocross Track application and wish to support, in the strongest possible terms, the local community objection to this application. I also endorse the professional representation arranged by Hornton Parish Council and the detailed submission statements and supporting information that have been drawn together on behalf of the Parish Council.

In the last few years, it is known that the MX operator has expanded the facilities and events to include many let days and national competitions. In contrast to when this was just a local club the extensive earthworks, as evidenced by the drone photographs, have desecrated the countryside setting and wildlife.

The increased frequency and greater noise of the events have more and more disturbed both the local residential amenity and for users of the nearby rights of way network.

It defies belief that so many earthworks and laying bare the field have been undertaken without any planning application or consent and with hundreds of participants racing for two days over so many weekends and with additional set-up or clearance days either side of the weekends.

From reading a draft of Hornton Parish Council's Objection Statement we understand that there are many flaws in the reports accompanying the application as well as the proposals being contrary to a range of Local Plan Policies.

We therefore urge the Council not just to refuse this application but to take immediate enforcement action against both the landowner and the operator who continue to flaunt the planning system and with total disregard for the residential amenity of the local community and our enjoyment of the countryside setting around Hornton.

I understand that the application may be determined by the Planning Committee and I would ask that my views are made known through representation of the Parish Council.

Yours sincerely,

Mr and Mrs H Keller

cc John Offord Esq, Chair of Hornton Parish Council