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Hornton Grounds

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Dear Mr Smith,

Wroxton Heath : Moto X planning application 21/00517/F

I write to oppose the planned extension of the MotoX track at Wroxton Heath nr Hornton.

I struggle with the application form to understand how many days racing is being sought 65 days would be completely unacceptable.

14 days with 2 stroke or electric engines would be tolerable.

With ATV / QUAD bikes and 4 stroke engines the the noise is intrusive and becomes intolerable.

I live very close to the " race track", there are days when I am unaware it is a race day until I go down the Darcy Dalton Way which forms part of our drive and see the instant Caravan City, there are other days when I am interrupted serving breakfast to my Bed and Breakfast guests by the commentator or the roaring start of the race. sadly my guests are never from the race track so my business never benefits.

We used to run a farm shop at Hornton Grounds Farm supplying outstanding sausages, bacon, burgers and steaks produced on our farm in Hornton, in the decade of running the shop I am unaware of ever having had a customer to the shop from racegoers although on numerous occasions racegoers have blocked our drive and yard trying to shortcut to the track.

As a farm we have actively diversified and we run a small livery yard and a horse holiday Park and Ride business. Sadly we rarely ever know when race days are going to happen although we persistently ask to be informed of dates. I try to inform my livery clients of a race day so that they do not plan to ride around Hornton, Wroxton heath, or Balscote when traffic over 3 days at a time can be very heavy with rattly trailers and flapping covers which spook the horses. An accident waiting to happen.

Farmers need to make a living but they have a duty to take care of their soil, their environment, the wildlife and water courses.

This racetrack appears to contravene all aspects of a farmers duty of care to this wonderful landscape in the Ironstone Downs on the Northern tip of the Cotswold Area Of Natural Beauty.

Thank you for reading and considering the impacts upon Hornton Grounds and the whole community of Hornton

Yours sincerely

Catherine J T Vint

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