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Kind regards

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Dear Gemma Magnuson, CDC Planning Officer,

IMPORTANT: Please add the letter below to the Cherwell Planning Portal before this Thursday's planning committee meeting on 9th March 2023 at 4.00pm.

Thank you very much for your help with this.

Yours sincerely,

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To: Cherwell Planning Committee and Cherwell District Council, Banbury.

Tuesday 7th March 2023

Dear Planning Officers and Councillors,

I have been a resident of Hornton village for 20 years. I write in support of the latest submission by Hornton Parish Council (HPC), regarding the above Motocross Track planning issue, in which HPC put forward a list of reasonable conditions (used by the sport's governing body and other councils to regulate the operation of motocross tracks) to mitigate the impacts of the track on this unique edge-of-Cotswolds environment and to the quality of life of local residents. Cherwell Planning Committee appears to have totally ignored these suggested conditions, and the advice of numerous other experts and advisors, including the input of our local district councillor, and has instead put forward its own limited set of 'conditions', which are wholly inadequate for the task. There is a clear lack of local consultation here – this planning process is fundamentally flawed.

I therefore write to protest at the shabby set of 'conditions' drawn up by Cherwell Planning Committee and demand that they be significantly tightened, so that they are at the very least measurable and enforceable, (with a commitment from CDC that they will ensure both measurement and enforcement, and provide the resources required to do so), and ideally be conditions set in line with what happens at other similar event sites in England.

I am particularly concerned that our democratically elected representatives (HPC) are being denied a chance to put their case at the Cherwell Planning Meeting on Thursday 9th March 2023: I understand that a representative from Hornton Parish Council is not permitted to speak at the meeting. I believe that this is fundamentally undemocratic and I feel strongly that this may be a matter to be brought to the attention of our local MP. CDC Planning Dept. promised to consult HPC and our local district councillor before drawing up the conditions under which the Motocross Track should operate and they clearly have not kept their word!

Bearing all the above in mind, **I am asking for the decision to be delayed** until proper, professional consideration can be given to all the issues involved.

Thank you for your attention to this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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