## **Rachel Tibbetts**

From:	SAMANTHA BARNES
Sent:	20 July 2023 13:33
То:	Planning
Subject:	Re: Planning Application Reference 21/00517/F Planning Committee Agenda Thursday 13th July 2023

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Good Afternoon My address is : Prentice House, Millers Lane, Hornton OX15 6BS Regards

Samantha Barnes

On 20 Jul 2023, at 12:56, Planning <Planning@cherwell-dc.gov.uk> wrote:

Good Afternoon. Please could you supply your postal address. Thank you **Kind regards Development Management Cherwell District Council** Direct Dial 01295 227006 planning@cherwell-dc.gov.uk www.cherwell.gov.uk Find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/cherwelldistrictcouncil Follow us on Twitter @Cherwellcouncil https://planningregister.cherwell.gov.uk/ **Coronavirus (COVID-19)**: In response to the latest Government guidance and until further notice, the Planning Service has been set up to work remotely, from home. Customers are asked not to come to Bodicote House but instead to phone or email the Planning Service on 01295 227006: planning@cherwell-dc.gov.uk. For the latest information about how the Planning Service is impacted by COVID-19, please check the website: www.cherwell-dc.gov.uk.

From: SAMANTHA BARNES

Sent: Friday, July 14, 2023 4:15 PM

To: Planning <<u>Planning@Cherwell-DC.gov.uk</u>>

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Thank you for your email.

The planning meeting has passed now and the Application was declined so I think that you won't really need to see them now but thank you for response. Regards Samantha Barnes On 14 Jul 2023, at 16:03, Planning <<u>Planning@Cherwell-DC.gov.uk</u>> wrote: Good afternoon In reference to your email below could we please ask that you send the photos again as unfortunately both Gemma and another colleague have been unable to open them. Thank You Regards **Development Management Cherwell District Council** Direct Dial 01295 227006 planning@cherwell-dc.gov.uk www.cherwell.gov.uk Find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/cherwelldistrictcouncil Follow us on Twitter @Cherwellcouncil https://planningregister.cherwell.gov.uk/ Planning and Development services can be contacted as follows: Development Management - planning@cherwell-dc.gov.uk; Building Control -building.control@cherwell-dc.gov.uk; Planning Policy planning.policy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk; Conservation design.conservation@cherwell-dc.gov.uk. For the latest information on Planning and Development please visit www.cherwell.gov.uk From: SAMANTHA BARNES Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2023 10:25 AM To: Gemma Magnuson <Gemma.Magnuson@cherwell-dc.gov.uk>

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Dear Gemma,

## Planning Application Reference 21/00517/F

We are writing to express our dismay and concerns for the Planning Application **Reference 21/00517/F.** 

We realise that you have probably been inundated with letters from concerned individuals from far and wide explaining why the approval of this particular planning application will be a disaster for the health and safety of the area. I know that there are numerous environmental and ecological reasons why this application would be a disaster and it is obvious that the noise, pollution levels and disruption to such an idyllic part of the countryside would be detrimental to wildlife, businesses and local residents but the most compelling reason to refuse this Planning Application must be the clear and present danger to life.

The only way for the hundreds of vehicles that are expected to attend events at Banbury International Motorcross to access the site is from a tiny country lane which connects via a crossroads to the Stratford Road A422 <u>https://goo.gl/maps/fqif9CetWpcdokoB7</u>

This is a road junction with extremely poor lines of sight, even in the winter when the hedgerow is relatively short the main road is extremely fast and there is a bend a few hundred yards to the right of the exit that does not give enough line of sight if a car on the main

road is travelling at 60 miles an hour and the vehicle exiting the village lane is a large van or lorry, slowly pulling motocross vehicles and unable to accelerate fast enough to avoid a collision with vehicles coming up behind them from the Stratford direction. That is if they are turning left. If the vehicles happen to be turning right from the small hamlet lane or going straight over the crossroads in the direction of Balscote village the danger is even more acute.

We know you have already seen the photographs below but please for a moment just imagine all those enormous vehicles traversing the tiny country lanes around Hornton and Wroxton Heath. The danger they present to cyclists, walkers, other road users, wildlife. Before you make your decision, I would implore you to drive across the junction with the A422, around the small lanes of Wroxton Heath and Hornton and along the main road from Stratford to Banbury and see for yourselves how dangerous an influx of large vehicles on such a huge scale would be. Would it really be serving the best interests of the community to encourage international visitors on such a scale? Drivers who may not be used to the geography of the area or indeed the different skill sets that are required to drive large vehicles through very small country lanes and across very fast A roads.

We would be extremely concerned for the safety of the joggers, the dog walkers, the cyclists and the drivers. The area is extremely popular with young people working towards their Duke of Edinburgh Awards, especially because of the location of the Scout Camping Amenity at Horley. Hundreds of children from local schools and beyond use the lanes around Hornton and Wroxton to practice Orienteering skills. Tudor Hall School, Sibford School and Bloxham School as well as many others in the Oxfordshire and Warwickshire School districts use the area for their Duke of Edinburgh Students all year round. The safety of all these children will be compromised because of one person's business enterprise that will not be creating jobs for the area or providing a resource, just lining her pockets and destroying an area of historic and natural importance.

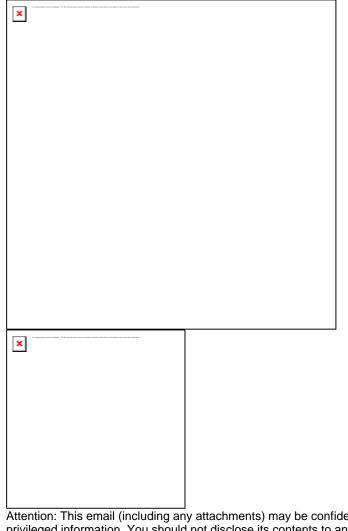
We are sure you have studied in depth the topography of the land in question, but I couldn't see any mention of the importance of Ridge and Furrow patterns across the area. Just a mile or so away this archaeological feature is extremely apparent, in Arlescote, Horely and Ratley. Given the historic value of Edgehill and the surrounding areas I would be surprised if there were absolutely no evidence of medieval patterns which are protected agricultural features. Planning Permission in a village in Warwickshire was refused as recently as 2019 because of their existence which represented a non-designated heritage asset and also contributed to the agricultural setting of the village and its conservation area. Hornton Village is less than two miles from the edge of the Cotswolds, AONB. Many of the vehicles travelling to the International Motocross Site will be travelling through this area of outstanding natural beauty – en masse. Destroying the countryside and endangering all who live in it.

We would ask all members of the council to please reconsider the decision to allow planning application **Reference 21/00517/F.** Please work with us to protect our children, wildlife, countryside and agricultural heritage and refuse the planning permission for this private enterprise.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew & Samantha Barnes SAMANTHA BARNES

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