

Comment for planning application 21/00922/OUT

Application Number	21/00922/OUT
Location	Land West Of Foxden Way Great Bourton OX17 1QY
Proposal	OUTLINE Planning Application for up to 9 entry-level affordable houses - all matters reserved save for access
Case Officer	James Kirkham
Organisation Name	Clare Curnow
Address	Stoneleigh,Swan Lane,Great Bourton,Banbury,OX17 1QR
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>In Great Bourton there has been recent new affordable housing built at Garners Field. There is also affordable housing in the developments to the north side of Banbury off the Southam Road, which is nearby. I feel this is extending the area of the village development into green field site without due need. The proposed development is contrary to the Cherwell Local Plan, in which Great Bourton is a Category B village for infill/conversion or minor development. Nine properties in a small village, extending the developed area does not seem small. Traffic: the reports have not taken into account the 3 properties currently being build and the existing planning permission for 2 more, all exiting onto School Lane. These will increase traffic flow. The traffic report seems to underestimate the number of journeys per household - public transport is not a viable option for most journeys, and while some people may walk of cycle, there is a significant hill between Great Bourton and Cropredy, and to Banbury. This will reduce the number of journeys made this way. The vast majority of journeys will be by car. All car traffic will use single track lanes - School Lane, Foxden Way and Spring Lane. There a a number of sharp bends on these lanes within the villages, so increased traffic will cause increased risk to vulnerable road users - pedestrians, cyclists, horse riders, people walking dogs, and families. There are no pavements, so as well as increasing risk, increased traffic will reduce the enjoyment of these activities. These may result in less people taking exercise. Foxden Way is a rural lane with only field entrances, the allotment and a farm entrance. Developing it to have residential accommodation opening there will change its nature significantly There also seems to be insufficient provision of parking on the proposed development, as a car is needed to access most services. This then poses the risk of parking spreading onto Foxden way, which would be a safety concern. Bus service: the report states using the bus service for 'leisure purposes'. As this is only twice a week, for a couple of hours in Banbury, this makes the options of what to access very limited. This service has not been reduced by current Covid conditions, so is unlikely to improve. Community Centre: this is a community hall, and no specific services are run from it. It is available to hire, but is a hall, not a 'Centre', that name in the Developers report gives a misleading impression. I object to this development</p>
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