## 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	Anna Morton	
Address		
	Old Bakehouse,Swan Lan	e,Great Bourton,Banbury,OX17 1QR
Type of Comment	Objection	
Туре	neighbour	
Comments	I object to this proposal and believe the site to be highly unsuitable for a new housing development. Foxden Way is a single track lane and used by local people for leisure - walking, running, cycling, horse riding and dog exercising. The surrounding area is working farmland. The recently relocated allotments are sited partway within this rural landscape and are for the use of residents from both villages. These allotments are not the village boundary of Great Bourton, as suggested by the applicant. Local employment is scarce. There are 2 buses per week and no nearby shops, meaning new residents will be reliant on car travel. Adjoining and nearby lanes to Foxden Way are too narrow for more traffic and contain dangerous blind bends. Flooding down hill from the site will be exacerbated. Wildlife habitat will be destroyed. Degradation and pollution of the natural environment will take place. There are brownfield sites in and around Banbury which should be considered for development of affordable housing before greenfield / agricultural to housing. In short, this appears a cynical attempt at exploitation of the planning 'rural exception site' status. To qualify to be considered a rural exception site, the proposed development has to meet a clearly identified local housing to be allocated for local people living within the Bourtons who are currently deemed in housing need. This housing is required to remain affordable 'in perpetuity.'	
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