Comment for planning application 21/00922/OUT

Application Number 21/00922/OUT

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

Location

Name Jan Fowler

Address Hayworth House, Main Street, Great Bourton, Banbury, OX17 1QL

Type of Comment

Objection

Type Comments neighbour

This development is presented as a small development under the provisions of the Local Plan for a Cat B village. However, it appears that Fernhill Estates, who own additional land and already have planning permission for other 'small' developments, are employing a strategy to develop a much larger area in a piecemeal fashion. This development should be considered a large development, taking account of the other land that Fernhill own and undoubtedly intend to further develop. This coupled with the proposal being about 'affordable housing', enabling the developer to seek planning for a rural "Exception' on land they would otherwise be unlikely to gain planning permission for, suggests Fernhill are using various guises to get around the restrictions that are in place to safeguard and ensure appropriate developments, as set out in the Local Plan. There is no requirement for further affordable housing in Great Bourton, given the recent Garner Field development and the large development down the Southam Road. The village offers no employment opportunity, no local amenities - with no shop and limited public transport, and an over subscribed local GP practice and school. The plans appear to significantly under estimate the volume and impact of traffic onto narrow, single lane roads and the requirements for parking the development would create. The likely increase on traffic on Foxden way would create hazards to the many walkers who use this narrow road, as well as farm vehicles and horse riders. There are few places for two vehicles to pass safely, without damaging the grass verges. Wheelchair users and families would be prohibited from using this road in safety.

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