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Great Bourton
Banbury Oxon
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Planning Application 21/00922/OUT
9 Dwellings at Land West of Foxden Way Great Bourton

Dear Sir

We would wish to object to the above application for the following reasons -

Great Bourton is identified as a Category 2 Settlement, and therefore not considered suitable for significant growth or expansion.

For that reason, any proposed development within the village should be restricted to infilling, conversion of existing buildings, and small scale development.

This application for the 9 dwellings falls outside of the above guidance and should therefore be considered as spasmodic development outside of the village boundaries with no essential agricultural need nor fulfilment of any other local requirements. The open countryside outside of the established village boundaries should be protected from speculative and spasmodic expansion that would have a harmful impact upon an area of high landscape value prominently located adjacent to the southern village approach.

Access from the development onto what is still a single track road, leading in both directions to narrow village lanes with blind bends, must be considered inadequate to cope with the increased traffic flow that the development would generate.

We wonder at the suggestion in the traffic analysis, that the private drive entrances in school lane could be used as passing places.

Great Bourton has shouldered more than its fair share of development in recent time, and if this application for 9 dwellings is approved, then these, along with the recent neighbouring consents, plus Garners Field would represent an increase of approx. 34%.

This is a substantial figure in a settlement "not considered suitable for growth or expansion"

Yours sincerely

Mr R & Mrs M MacAngus

