

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	Gillian Duckworth
Address	Wits End,5 Spring Lane, Little Bourton, Banbury, OX17 1RB
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I object to this planning application. As a resident of Little Bourton I can easily forecast the effect this development would have on our community and our neighbouring villages. Amenities and Facilities: - An increase in the number of children will place more pressure on Cropredy school. - There will be more pressure on the very busy doctor's surgery. - There are no facilities in either Great Bourton or Little Bourton, such as shops. - The village has nothing for young people to do, which could lead to anti-social behaviour, intended or otherwise. - As the village is largely on clay, an increase of water run-off will cause even more issues with the footpaths and flooded ditches. This could add to the problems of flooding of the River Cherwell and the Oxford Canal - already a major problem for our neighbouring village. Access - Where Foxden Way meets Spring Lane in Little Bourton there are always cars parked along the lane. The residents have no choice, but increased traffic will lead to access difficulties, particularly for the emergency services. - Where Foxden Way meets Crow Lane there are dangerous bends. We have witnessed numerous near-misses on this lane, endangering people and animals. - Farm machinery, delivery vans and lorries (which have increased recently) frequently use these small lanes and there is no room for any increase in the number of vehicles using them. - There are issues with speeding in the villages and more vehicles have the potential to add to this major rural issue. - The local roads are already in a very poor state of repair. We do not need more cars or delivery vehicles making the situation even worse and more dangerous. - The planning application severely underestimates the number of cars and car journeys (as well as deliveries, etc.) associated with this development. Parking will be a major issue. Transport Infrastructure - We have a bus twice a week to go into Banbury. This is already inadequate and residents have to travel by car or pay for taxis to carry out shopping and other essential tasks. - Alternatively, shopping deliveries would need to be arranged, adding to congestion, wear and tear, and access difficulties. - Secondary school aged children would need to pay to travel to school. Unsuitable Location - There is no need for affordable housing in Great Bourton; it is a completely inappropriate site. We have new housing developments between Great Bourton and Banbury, but this has not led to the provision of suitable public transport or facilities. - There are documented development opportunities in Upper Heyford, Kidlington and Banbury town within the Cherwell Local Plan 2011-2031 (too large to attach here). - Great Bourton has been marked by Cherwell District Council as a Category B unsustainable village (see attached). Therefore, infill, conversions and extensions are permitted under the Cherwell Local Plan. - This development does not fit in with the Countrywide Design Summary (see attached), and is not in accordance with the Cherwell Local Plan. - Our environment would be severely affected by this development, with loss of natural resources, increased noise and pollution. Due to our proximity to the M40 motorway, these are already concerns, and our environment must be protected from further erosion. Conclusion Any new development in Great Bourton is completely inappropriate, and affordable housing particularly unsuitable. I am surprised that the village could be even considered for this, especially as the documents I attach show that Cherwell District Council have obviously thought through this type of development and published their plan which is valid until 2031.</p>
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Attachments	The following files have been uploaded: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Countrywide_Design_Summary.pdfVillage Categorisation Update.pdf