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 with all matters reserved save for access for up to 9 First Homes

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Type of Comment

Objection

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Comments

Whilst I admire the Applicants resolve and the fact that they have clearly spent a disproportionate amount of money trying to justify this, in their revised Application, the arguments raise by me in my previous objection, and by many of my fellow residents have not been argued significantly well enough or with a degree of accuracy that would persuade me that this Development has become a good idea. There are numerous items of "fact" that the Applicant is relying on from the various reports and representation they have submitted to the Council in support of his Application but the one that I am going to identify specifically could be of significant importance to the proposed residents of these houses. We could assume that a number of them will not able to own their own transport and so would have to rely fairly heavily on Public Transport links and networks local to the proposed development. In the document prepared for Fernhill Estates by Hub Transport Planning it says at 2.42 on Page 6 of their Report "....these regular services". I am sure that the Council would agree that 4 buses a week for people without transport of their own living in a village location does not constitute a level of service that individuals let alone Families could rely upon for travel to work, travel to the shops they are probably used to using or any other amenities that they would or could possibly live very close to currently. Everyone that lives in a village location will tell you that without daily bus services or your own transport you will quickly feel isolated indeed potentially even cut off from society. The other areas that have been raised by local residents have still to be addressed and my overall view of this Application is that Fernhill Estates simply want to build these houses to set a precedent in terms of an extension of the boundary of development in the Village so that they can acquire further land to the west or East of the proposed development where they could build a significant number of additional properties which is why they have invested a disproportionate amount in a scheme for so few houses now. The reason why the local villages have retained their character and have been able to control the numbers of residents and therefore the impacts on local traffic and the need for additional schooling and medical facilities being needed is by restricting precedent setting Applications like this one. Whilst the various Local Plans have identified the need for increased levels of local Development these have been catered for by the various developments that are underway in the surrounding areas like the Redrow Development to the South West of Banbury and the two Developments on the Southam Road to the North of the Town. There are also a number of other more suitable development locations nearer to the amenities that these Residents will need. In summary I feel that Fernhill Estates Application remains inappropriate, ill-considered, out of keeping, impactful to the residents of the village for a number of reasons previously articulated by many in their objections and is not something that the Council should consider Approving.

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