

From: Peter Higgins

Sent: 09 March 2022 14:39

To: Planning

Subject: Steeple Aston Chicken Shed development. Planning Application - 21/01123/F

Dear Sir

I live with my wife and five children in the unnamed lane opposite the drive to Canterbury House- that is the lane which runs off Fir Lane down the hill beside the preschool.

We are objecting strongly to this development, on the grounds which have been addressed by the Parish Council and others, each of which concerns we endorse and support.

I also have to object on specific personal grounds relating to where we live, because of particular factors which apply to the traffic going past and to/from our house.

The traffic in Fir Lane is very difficult to navigate even now, since

1. it is single file only at this point because of cars permanently parked in Fir Lane which reduce it to one lane
2. there are the two schools right outside or opposite the exit of our lane into Fir Lane and
3. we have the village hall right next door.

During school drop off and collection and during village hall events, even more cars park on either side of the exit from our lane onto Fir Lane. Sometimes they park so close that our exit is partially blocked, so that we either can't exit at all or have to turn in the opposite direction to the one we want.

Even if they are not doing that it is at best very difficult and somewhat dangerous to drive a car out of our lane and onto Fir Lane in either direction. It is impossible to see left or right until your car is so far out that it has virtually crossed to the far side of Fir Lane. This is dangerous and we have had several near misses, particularly recently.

On top of that, because there are so many cars coming and going at school time, even once we have begun to drive out onto Fir Lane, we often have to reverse back into our lane again while the traffic sorts itself out in Fir Lane (which is at all times only one way because of parked cars outside the houses). This can take quite some time, up to a minute; it slows down the traffic generally as the other cars have to wait for us to reverse, and again re-emerging is dangerous. When doing so our car of course blocks and slows traffic in both directions.

This is already an unsatisfactory and risky situation. The extra traffic resulting from the proposed development will make this many times worse and I'd regard it as certain to be intolerable.

The train station is a mile and a half walk away (32 minutes walk- see map photo attached) and has very few trains and those are of limited use for local travel, (see attached timetable screenshots)

The bus service is extremely limited, (see attached timetable pdf)

Consequently nearly every worker, service worker (cleaners, security etc) and customer of the proposed development will have to arrive and leave by car, go to and from lunch and any breaks by car; all deliveries and waste collection will likewise have to go in and out by road.

That being the case it is inevitable that with the school run happening at the beginning and end of working hours, several hundreds of journeys (many including lorries) will take place every day down this narrow, one track road. If each such journey takes only a conservative 30 seconds to navigate past our lane and the high level of comings and goings at the schools and the Village Hall, (30 seconds may seem a high figure but if there's traffic it is not unusual and I've had to wait much longer- you should try it if you think otherwise) that would effectively mean that Fir Lane is blocked and impassable for 100 to 300 minutes a day. That's between one-and-a-half and five hours. One can quibble with the detail of the calculation, but that is the order of the numbers and the scale of the issue here; if you want different unit figures, you should gather your own and actually visit Fir Lane, both at the Cow Lane junction and the lane opposite Canterbury House, at school arrival or departure times; you are certain to find it is pretty substantially blocked and dead slow even now.

In addition it is not certain that all the cars using the development will actually use its parking; they may prefer instead to park in Fir Lane to get away more quickly. That will exacerbate the congestion by removing passing places.

Moreover if the development is a big success there may not be enough space for all employees, users and visitors of the development to park inside it, so they will also have to park in Fir Lane which will further exacerbate all the issues.

I do not see how these problems can be dealt with adequately/satisfactorily given the scale proposed for this development. Certainly the proposals either completely ignore this issue or make optimistic and fanciful projections about what is looking set to be a nightmare.

Chris Watson
Willowfield House
Fir Lane
Steeple Aston

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On time
Platform 2 Great Western Railway

17:35 Banbury
On time
Platform 1 Great Western Railway

18:08 Didcot Parkway
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Platform 2 Great Western Railway

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19:35 Didcot Parkway
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20:20 Banbury
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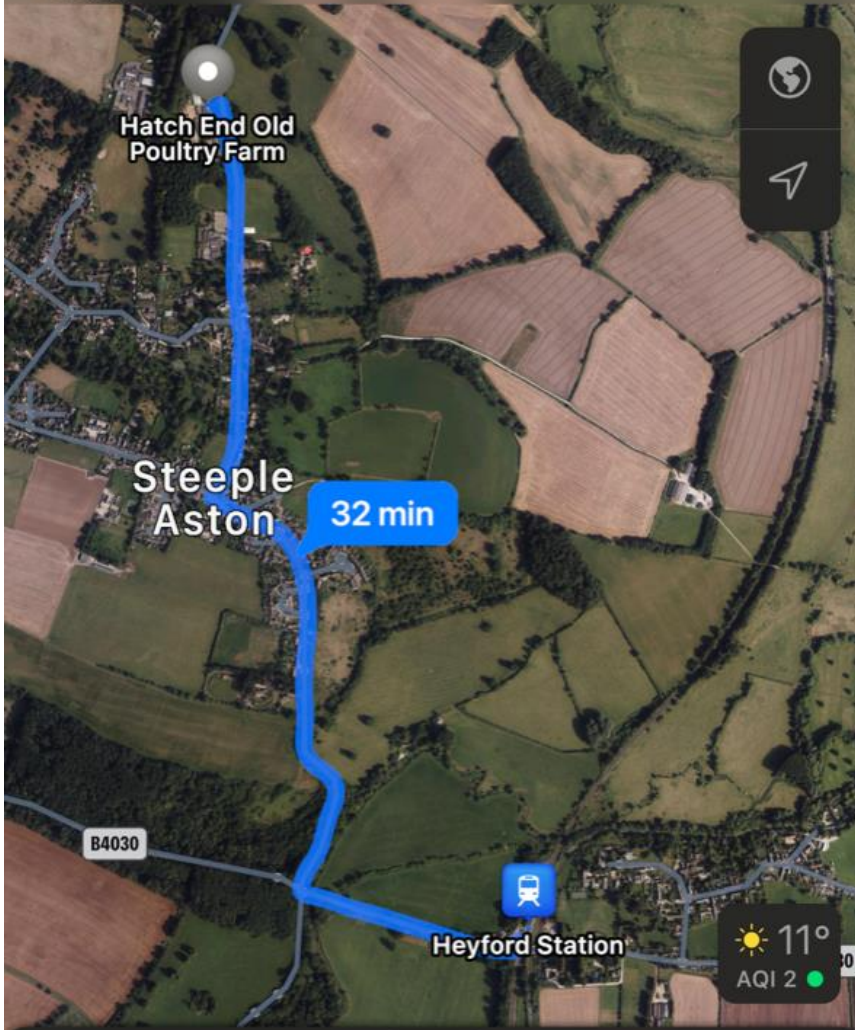
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Banbury Bus Station, bay 6	0555	0630	0710	0720	0845		45		1445	1520	1545	1645	1745	1900	2015	2145
Horton Hospital	0559	0635	0718	0726	0853		53		1453	1529	1554	1654	1754	1906	2021	2151
Twyford, Kings Sutton Turn	0605	0641	0725	0733	0900		00		1500	1536	1601	1701	1801	1913	2028	2158
Adderbury, Post Office	0608	0644	0728	0735	0903	then hourly at	03	until	1503	1538	1604	1704	1804	1916	2031	2201
Deddington, Market Place	0615	0652	0736	0740	0911		11		1511	1543	1612	1712	1812	1924	2039	2209
Steeple Aston, White Lion	0624	0702	0746	-	0920		20		1520	-	1621	1721	1821	1932	2047	2217
Tackley, The Green	0634	0713	0757	-	0930		30		1530	-	1631	1731	1831	1942	2057	2227
Shipton on Cherwell turn	0639	0719	0803	0756	0935		35		1535	1559	1636	1736	1836	1947	2102	2232
Kidlington, Black Horse	0644	0725	0809	0802	0940		40		1540	1604	1641	1741	1841	1951	2106	2236
Summertown Shops	0654	0740	0824	0817	0952		52		1552	1614	1651	1751	1851	2001	2116	2246
Magdalen Street, stop C6	0702	0800	0844	-	1003		03		1603	-	1702	1802	1902	2010	2125	2255
JR Hospital stop J3				0837						1627						

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Horton Hospital	0639	0639	0739	0739	0852	0852	0952	0952	1052	1052	1152	1152	1252	1252	1352	
Twyford Twyford Gardens	0645	0645	0745	0745	0859	0859	0959	0959	1059	1059	1159	1159	1259	1259	1359	
Adderbury Old Post Office	0648	0648	0748	0748	0902	0902	1002	1002	1102	1102	1202	1202	1302	1302	1402	
Deddington Market Place	-	0655	-	0755	-	0910	-	1010	1110	-	-	1210	-	1310	1410	
Deddington Hudson Street	0655	-	0755	-	0910	-	1010	-	-	1110	1210	-	1310	-	-	
Steeple Aston Post Office	0704	0704	0804	0804	0919	0919	1019	1019	1119	1119	1219	1219	1319	1319	1419	
Tackley The Green	0714	0714	0814	0814	0929	0929	1029	1029	1129	1129	1229	1229	1329	1329	1429	
Shipton on Cherwell turn	0719	0719	0819	0819	0934	0934	1034	1034	1134	1134	1234	1234	1334	1334	1434	
Kidlington Black Horse	0724	0724	0824	0824	0939	0939	1039	1039	1139	1139	1239	1239	1339	1339	1439	
Summertown Shops	0735	0735	0835	0835	0951	0951	1051	1051	1151	1151	1251	1251	1351	1351	1451	
Magdalen Street stop C6	0746	0746	0846	0846	1002	1002	1102	1102	1202	1202	1302	1302	1402	1402	1502	

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Horton Hospital	52		1752	1906	2021	2151		
Twyford Twyford Gardens	59		1759	1913	2028	2158		
Adderbury Old Post Office	02		1802	1916	2031	2201		
Deddington Market Place	10		1810	1924	2039	2209		
Deddington Hudson Street	-		-	-	-	-		
Steeple Aston Post Office	19		1819	1932	2047	2217		
Tackley The Green	29		1829	1942	2057	2227		
Shipton on Cherwell turn	34		1834	1947	2102	2232		
Kidlington Black Horse	39		1839	1951	2106	2236		
Summertown Shops	51		1851	2001	2116	2246		
Magdalen Street stop C6	02		1902	2010	2125	2255		

SUNDAYS & most public holidays

Banbury Bus Station bay 6	0830	1000	1130	1300	1430	1600	1730
Horton Hospital	0836	1006	1136	1306	1436	1606	1736
Twyford Twyford Gardens	0842	1012	1142	1312	1442	1612	1742
Adderbury Old Post Office	0846	1016	1146	1316	1446	1616	1746
Deddington Market Place	0853	1023	1153	1323	1453	1623	1753
Steeple Aston Post Office	0903	1033	1203	1333	1503	1633	1803
Tackley The Green	0913	1043	1213	1343	1513	1643	1813
Shipton on Cherwell turn	0917	1047	1217	1347	1517	1647	1817
Kidlington Black Horse	0921	1051	1221	1351	1521	1651	1821
Summertown Shops	0933	1103	1233	1403	1533	1703	1833
Magdalen Street stop C6	0944	1114	1244	1414	1544	1714	1844

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Kidlington Black Horse		0729	0831	0910	0935		35		1435	1538	1638	1706	1738	1838	1934	
Shipton on Cherwell turn		0732	0835	0914	0939		39		1439	1542	1642	1710	1742	1842	1938	
Tackley The Green		0740	0843	-	0946		46		1446	1549	1649	-	1749	1849	1945	
Steeple Aston Post Office		0752	0855	-	0957		57		1457	1600	1700	-	1800	1900	1955	
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Banbury Bus Station		0625	0730	0835	0935	0956	1035	35	1535	1638	1738	1752	1838	1929	2024	

Oxford Magdalen Street C3	2030	2145	2315
Summertown Shops	2037	2152	2322
Kidlington Black Horse	2049	2204	2334
Shipton on Cherwell turn	2053	2208	2338
Tackley The Green	2100	2215	2345
Steeple Aston Post Office	2110	2225	2355
Deddington Market Place	2121	2236	0006
Adderbury Old Post Office	2126	2241	0011
Twyford Twyford Gardens	2129	2244	0014
Horton Hospital	2134	2249	0019
Banbury Bus Station	2139	2254	0024

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Summertown Shops			0823	0823	0923	0923	1023	1023	1123	1123	1223	1223	1323	1423	1523
Kidlington Black Horse			0835	0835	0935	0935	1035	1035	1135	1135	1235	1235	1335	1435	1535
Shipton on Cherwell turn			0839	0839	0939	0939	1039	1039	1139	1139	1239	1239	1339	1439	1539
Tackley The Green			0846	0846	0946	0946	1046	1046	1146	1146	1246	1246	1346	1446	1546
Steeple Aston Post Office	0759	0759	0857	0857	0957	0957	1057	1057	1157	1157	1257	1257	1357	1457	1557
Deddington Hudson Street	0809	-	0908	-	1008	-	1108	-	-	1208	1308	-	-	-	-
Deddington Market Place	0704	-	0809	-	0908	-	1008	-	1108	1208	-	-	1308	1408	1508
Adderbury Old Post Office	0710	0815	0815	0914	0914	1014	1014	1114	1114	1214	1214	1314	1314	1414	1514
Twyford Twyford Gardens	0713	0818	0818	0918	0918	1018	1018	1118	1118	1218	1218	1318	1318	1418	1518
Horton Hospital	0721	0826	0826	0926	0926	1026	1026	1126	1126	1226	1226	1326	1326	1426	1526
Banbury Bus Station	0730	0835	0835	0935	0935	1035	1035	1135	1135	1235	1235	1335	1335	1435	1535
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Kidlington Black Horse	1635	1735	1834	1934	2048	2203	2333								
Shipton on Cherwell turn	1639	1739	1838	1938	2051	2206	2336								
Tackley The Green	1646	1746	1845	1945	2058	2213	2343								
Steeple Aston Post Office	1657	1757	1855	1955	2107	2222	2352								
Deddington Hudson Street	-	-	-	-	-	-	-								
Deddington Market Place	1708	1808	1906	2006	2117	2232	0002								
Adderbury Old Post Office	1714	1814	1911	2011	2122	2237	0007								
Twyford Twyford Gardens	1718	1818	1914	2014	2125	2240	0010								
Horton Hospital	1725	1825	1919	2019	2130	2245	0015								
Banbury Bus Station	1731	1831	1924	2024	2135	2250	0020								

SUNDAYS & most public holidays

Oxford Magdalen Street C3	1000	1130	1300	1430	1600	1730	1900
Summertown Shops	1007	1137	1307	1437	1607	1737	1907
Kidlington Black Horse	1018	1148	1318	1448	1618	1748	1918
Shipton on Cherwell turn	1021	1151	1321	1451	1621	1751	1921
Tackley The Green	1028	1158	1328	1458	1628	1758	1928
Steeple Aston Post Office	0917	1037	1207	1337	1507	1637	1807
Deddington Market Place	0927	1047	1217	1347	1517	1647	1817
Adderbury Old Post Office	0933	1053	1223	1353	1523	1653	1823
Twyford Twyford Gardens	0936	1056	1226	1356	1526	1656	1826
Horton Hospital	0944	1104	1234	1404	1534	1704	1834
Banbury Bus Station	0953	1113	1243	1413	1543	1713	1843

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