

As a long-term resident of Cosford Gardens which is opposite the Bicester Heritage site we have been fortunate to enjoy the comings and goings of the site whilst it was used as a gliding centre.

Since Bicester Motion took over the site people around the site have already had to endure years of expansion and building increased traffic and noise.

The traffic along the road Skimmingdish Lane has exponentially increased since this site began development and although we understand that Bicester is trying to create a "ring road" it is already struggling to maintain a reasonable traffic flow as there are many problems with volume at peak times.

These plans to build numerous warehouses and a vehicle circuits will not only have tremendous impact on residents along Skimmingdish Lane and other roads around the site for many years whilst all this building work is being carried out. Also, the massive increase in traffic to expedite this building work will massively increase the pressure on an already overloaded road network.

There are many "warehouses" etc around Bicester that are still empty since they were built and the plans to build even more offices etc between Bicester Garden Centre and the M40 will also add to the road mayhem we suffer at the moment.

So the main objection to this planning application is the increased pressure on an already struggling road network to get access to this site. There appears to be no consideration for all Bicester residents by Cherwell Planning Dept.

A second objection is the actual building program, more traffic, a lot of noise, disruption to access and also an increase to the existing pollution suffered by normal traffic. This means that residents cannot open windows facing the old air field as we get black dirt entering our properties, which I dread to think how much worse this will be when building begins.

Third objection is the noise pollution during building and after completion. We have already had to lodge a noise complaint against Bicester Heritage who allowed contractors to rip out and shred hedgerows and trees after allowed working hours. i.e., 6pm to 8pm. The day after it was submitted the complaint and recordings of the effect it had **inside** our houses the work immediately stopped! Our point is that it should never have happened in the first place. Bicester Heritage seem to only want increase income by expanding with little or no consideration to the population surrounding this site.

The fourth objection is the position of the vehicle circuits. Already at peak times we have a LOT of loud noisy cars and motorbikes speeding along Skimmingdish Lane when Heritage visitors and workers leave. When they hold a Scramble day etc there is also an increase in traffic and noise around and on the site. Should another circuit be added anywhere close to residential areas it is bound to cause a large increase in noise pollution. Because the site is so flat and all the trees and natural barriers have already been removed there is now no barrier between any noise and Glory Farm Estate. Previously all we had was the occasional drone of the glider tow plane but we enjoyed the sound and sight of the gliders coming over the estate to land. The prospect of numerous loud sports cars hurtling around a circuit creating a noise level which will have a negative effect on residents close by.

Should the permission be considered by Cherwell Planning then Bicester Heritage/Motion must show large and extensive plans to deal with the obvious problems all the work will bring, covering access for builders and how they will ensure that it will not impact on the lives of residents more than we have at present with normal traffic flow. Disruption and noise caused by the building and rules to ensure that the work will not be done after allowed working hours, including lorry deliveries of goods and building materials being made at night etc. Also what plans they intend to put in place to protect residents surrounding the site against this noise, dirt and all the associated problems caused by large scale building works. And finally, if the plans are approved what plans there will be in place to protect the residents against the traffic and noise increase of many more workers and visitors to the site.

I would like to be kept informed of your discussions and decisions if you could please let me know when meetings will be held, discussion topics and decisions made etc.

Thank you for your consideration of the impact this large building proposition will have on many residents who live around the whole site.

Your sincerely

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