## Comment for planning application 21/01224/OUT

**Application Number** 21/01224/OUT

Location

Land at former RAF Bicester Bicester Oxfordshire OX26 5HA

**Proposal** 

Outline planning application for Automotive Experience Quarter comprising Commercial, Business and Services uses (Class E), Light Industrial (Class B2), Local Community and Learning Uses (Class F) and vehicle circuits (Sui Generis) with all matters reserved aside from that of access).

**Case Officer** 

Rebekah Morgan

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**Type of Comment** 

Objection

**Type** 

neighbour

Comments

Historically, the RAF Bicester site was used by a glider club. Launching was mostly done with a ground based winch which was inaudible in Caversfield. The occasional towed launch by light airplane was done at weekends, mostly. Gliders by their nature are quiet, graceful and unobtrusive. Seven days a week of motorsport is entirely different prospect. Whilst of undoubted commercial and sporting value, this has to be set against the precedent of residents of Bicester being able to conduct their business (more and more of which is conducted from home these days) in peace and quiet. It is not a WW2 Bomber Command training facility anymore. There is space at Upper Heyford, which is close enough, which is not as close to residential areas which could be re-purposed. Upper Heyford was a flying station for F111s only a few years ago; noise was not a problem there at that time, so there is precedent. I do not want the noise nuisance of motorsport from one direction when we already have the noise frmo the M40 from the other direction.

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