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Subject: New comments for application 21/01630/OUT

New comments have been received for application 21/01630/OUT at site address: Land at North West Bicester Home Farm, Lower Farm and SGR2 Caversfield

from Dr. David Errickson 

Address:
14 Sage Street, Bicester, OX27 8DE

Comment type:
Objection

Comments:

I would like to object this proposal. Unfortunately, the amended application does not address the concerns regarding the traffic and increase in activity using vehicles, and yet tries to defend the original flawed impact analysis. As noted in my original objection, Survey data has already shown that all models projected prior were significantly underestimating traffic in the area. For example, the Traffic surveys and Traffic Monitoring data from 2019 showed the the original model underestimated traffic in the 8-9am peak hour by 97% on Charlotte Avenue, and by 417% for the school when the school was only at 20% of its full pupil capacity. This is a gross underestimation, and as the data that is currently being used for predictions has not included the new developments in Bicester, this once again will be a gross underestimation of the data provided. I should note that this is also bad practice. The current proposal states that the roads can 'just about cope with the additional traffic', now 2021 traffic data shows also that the original model underestimates traffic in the 8-9AM peak by 126% - this is more than 2x an underestimation, - as previous estimations have shown, the figures are inaccurate.

What is more, the request to now break the ecotown requirement for true carbon zero is astonishing. This is an exemplar forward looking eco development, and thus the homes on this site should adhere to this commitment. The financial viability assessment claims the need to build homes to meet Ecotown requirements is, 'non-viable'. First, this would break the masterplan requirements, Second, if the true carbon zero is broken, this sets principal moving forward for other developments nationally that 'aim' to achieve this. On a global scale we need to be pushing for true carbon zero and not continually breaking commitments to the wider aim of reducing carbon emissions. Furthermore, myself, my partner and the wider community bought into an eco town - it was in our contracts and to break this would have a severe impact on those living within Cherwell's community.

I object to this proposal.

Case Officer:
Caroline Ford

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