Comment for planning application 21/01630/OUT

Application Number 21/01630/OUT

Location

Land at North West Bicester Home Farm, Lower Farm and SGR2 Caversfield

Proposal

Outline planning application for up to 530 residential dwellings (within Use Class C3), open space provision, access, drainage and all associated works and operations including but not limited to demolition, earthworks, and engineering operations, with the details of appearance, landscaping, layout, and scale reserved for later determination

Case Officer

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Type of Comment

Objection

Type

neighbour

Comments

Objection 1 - Lack of acceptance of new (Sept 2021) traffic survey and working off of old information. The traffic has increased with further house building to date leading to significant waits during peak time. hence the survey mentioned above. Another consideration regarding traffic is despite the ambitions of the original developers, a lack of amenities - shops etc. means that it is largely time inefficient to walk (from my property mid development) - a 1 hour round trip to walk to the nearest shop, or less than 10 minutes in the car. Objection 2 - This is not the time to be building less efficient homes. From an environmental point of view this is a move backwards and will come to cause issues immediately and more importantly further down the line when retrofitting is much less cost effective than getting it right first time. From a cost point of view for the occupier, this current increase in energy costs is not a blip. It is the beginning of a trend upward. As an engineer working in the energy industry I keep track of my energy use in an existing eco house compared to previous house I've lived in and although my energy price per unit is currently 3 times higher than my previous house it is still cheaper to run this property. There will be significant reputational damage to the councils if they are deemed to go back on these plans as I'm sure you know. As an area that has pioneered the eco town it would seem like a lost opportunity to go back on this now.

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