## Comment for planning application 21/02467/F

Application Number 21/02467/F

Location OS Parcel 0005 And Part OS Parcel 1300 0878 And 7566 Banbury

**Proposal** Erection of mixed-use development including a 240-bed hotel, 4-storey office building and roadside services including 2 no hot food restaurant drive-throughs, a coffee shop drive-

through and a petrol filling station with ancillary retail store

Case Officer Bernadette Owens

Organisation

Name

Malcolm Dibb

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**Type of Comment** 

**Address** 

Comments

Objection

**Type** neighbour

We object to this proposed development on the following grounds: 1. A similar proposal has already been closed down and the objections valid at that time still apply. 2. The recently erected structure is a blot on the landscape in this rural area and extends what looks like industrial suburbs to Banbury. 3. The proposal would increase traffic levels to unacceptable volumes for the infrastructure currently in place even if they changed the A361 to dual carriageway for 75 meters leading up to the roundabout. 4. Bearing in mind expected HS2 traffic levels the villages like Chacombe and Overthorpe will become even worse rat runs than they are now. Not only are country roads unsuitable for increased traffic levels they are already in poor condition and subject to excessive speeds which could only get worse. 5. Our bus service (500) could be in jeopardy as Stagecoach have already tried to curtail the service because of heavy traffic on the A361. 6. The proposal goes against your own local plans within Cherwell and Banbury. 7. Banbury already has new hotels and restaurants CQ2 development. There are also hotels and food outlets on the Banbury side of the M40 including a drive through Costa. In fact the traffic queues for McDonalds on the Gateway have been known to cause chaos for others entering and leaving the retail park. 8. There are petrol stations with retail stores on both sides of the M40 (Middleton Cheney and Ermont Way) and charging points by the Premier Inn. 9. There are Motorway service areas 10 minutes north and south of junction 11 which negates the necessity for a service area in Banbury. 10. The proposal includes a lorry park so apart from the increased pollution levels in the area there is a high likelihood of accidents due to lorries turning in and out. The current road is simply not suitable for such purposes. 11. The current tail backs, particularly at rush hour are bad enough but could only get worse if the proposal is allowed. Furthermore, if there are any delays on the roundabout itself there are massive tailbacks in all directions and if traffic volumes more than double, which seems likely it could bring Banbury to a halt. We strongly object to this proposal. Malcolm and Pat Dibb

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