## Consultee Comment for planning application 21/03177/F

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Location

Axis J9 Phase 3 Howes Lane Bicester

**Proposal** 

Full planning application for employment development (Use Classes E(g)(iii), B2 and/or B8) comprising 5 units within 3 buildings and associated parking and servicing, landscaping and associated works

**Case Officer** 

Caroline Ford

**Organisation** 

Elmsbrook Community Organisation

Name

Elmsbrook Community Organisation

**Address** 

**Type of Comment** 

Object

**Type** 

**Comments** 

Elmsbrook Community Organisation strongly object to this application for additional warehouse units on land that has been designated for homes. The original planning application for the existing units was rejected by CDC planning, this decision was reversed on appeal, much to the disappointment of Bicester residents. If the 150 homes were included in the application that went to appeal then the agent should not attempt to deviate from what was agreed now. We feel that additional warehouses would not provide sufficient employment per sq foot and is not the correct type of employment for the current ECO town demographic. If the use of land is to be altered from residential to commercial then offices would provide more employment per sq foot than warehousing, we feel that this type of employment would be more suitable for an ECO development. Air pollution levels in Bicester generally exceed the World Health Organisation Guidelines, we need to be working towards reducing these levels, which is a major part of the ECO town ethos and purpose. Warehouses are generally serviced by a high number of heavy goods vehicles transporting goods to and from the site, this will only add to the air pollution problem which, if not tackled with vigour immediately, will have a severe impact on the health and wellbeing of the residents of Bicester. We are aware that the agent has proposed 3 further planning applications for warehousing to the north of the ECO town site, closer to Junction 10 of the M40 and in close proximity to the proposed Oxfordshire Strategic Rail Freight Interchange. With these 4 planning applications pending we can see absolutely no reason whatsoever to support an application for yet more warehouses to be built in this completely inappropriate location.

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