## Comment for planning application 21/03267/OUT

**Application Number** 21/03267/OUT

Location

OS Parcel 0006 South East Of Baynards House Adjoining A43 Baynards Green

**Proposal** 

Outline planning permission (all matters reserved except for access) for the erection of buildings comprising logistics (Use Class B8) and ancillary Office (Use Class E(g)(i)) floorspace and associated infrastructure; construction of new site access from the B4100; creation of internal roads and access routes; and hard and soft landscaping

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Type of Comment

Objection

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**Comments** 

neighbour Boris Johnson stated in June 2021: 'I think there's some misunderstanding about the planning reforms. What we want is sensible plans to allow development on brownfield sites. We're not going to build on greenbelt sites, we're not going to build all over the countryside'. We expect as voters his words to be honoured. The residents of the affected areas have only just found out about this plan. This is inexcusable. The developer claims they have consulted the local population. We now find out this consultation consisted ofnothing more than popping into the BP garage and Greggs plus another small outlet outwith the residential areas affected hence no one was aware. 1) The developer's claim that because there are lights on the roundabout and the approach (of an otherwise dark road) this should be taken as a reason to justify building massive 24hour wharehousing on greenfield sites. How can a few streetlights be used as precedent for huge impact developments? 2) The uk has 4.9% unemployment. The national average of full time employees of working age is 37%. Bicester has 56%. The developer's claim that the surrounding area is in need of jobs is nonsense. This shows the lack of attention they have given to the area. What about the extra daily car journeys along the B4100? This road is already congested every rush hour. 3) The currentshortage of warehouse space is due to pre-Brexitstockpiling, storage during Christmas and the Covid-19 pandemic all at once. Also the inherent shortage of wharehouse workers and HGV drivers. These workers will not be found in our high employment area. Spending in shops increased 10% in just one month following the partial lifting of restrictions and online shopping dropped 11%. This trend will continue as the pandemic wanes. As wharehouses bed in new computer networks, become more automated, and the brexit panic isironed out they will become more efficient at turning over goods faster, so companies will need less storage space. This bottleneck is expected to last 2 years. There are currently many wharehouses available 25% of all completed speculative wharehouses are empty now with more being built. This plan will not be completed for 4 years. 4) The developer claims that this first development cannot go anywhere else. Where is the evidence? Why is this particular field on the B4100 so special unless it's a ruse to enable them to make a precedent to cover the entire countryside area in concrete, as we see with the ensuing plans in the pipeline. 5) The developer claims that the green fields are of no importance. Wildlife like owls bats hedgehogs and deer have huge territory with little light pollution and noise at night and these fields are part of that. 6)the environmental costs of this development, particularly the harmful impact on the character and appearance of the countryside area outweigh the economic benefits by far. It is inappropriate. 7)The developer's plan shows that they will plant a very thin line of saplings to obscure/mitigate/offset 75 foot wharehouses. The photograph they offer shows that if you stand back far enough with trick photography, the wharehouse will look the same height as small tree over the fields. This photograph shows they are avoiding an honest impression of what the development will actually look like from the places which will be affected. 8)The developer claims that this qualifies as "exceptional circumstances". What are they? apart from trying to make a very few people rich at the stroke of a pen, to the detriment of the whole surrounding area which will be taken to the cleaners in everything that constitutes quality of life, mental/physical health and cop26 promises. 9) This pretty countryside has tourism and holiday let's scattered around and fulfills recreational needs of Bicester residents with walks cycling, fishing and bridle ways. This will no longer be viable to the detriment of theresidents, small businesses and wildlife for many miles around 10)The uk is one of the most wildlife depleted countries in the world, This type of unnecessary unsympathetic development is not acceptable. In conclusion the developer's glossy brochure proposal is full of spin to sell us all a horrendously opportunistic ecologically damaging plan and produced on no evidence whatsoever that it will benefit anyone but themselves. It also managed to miss out quite a few affected properties from their map.

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