Comment for planning application 21/03947/F

| Application Number | 21/03947/F | |
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| Location | Cotefield House Oxford Road Bodicote OX15 4AQ | |
| Proposal | 5 attached two bedroom houses, parking and amenity spaces - re-submission of 21/01835/F | |
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| Type of Comment | Comment | |
| Туре | neighbour | |
| Comments | The application proposes 1 House Sparrow terrace and 1 Bird Brick house. I would suggest instead that there should be 5 integrated Swift nest bricks. Bird Brick Houses make them but there are many other suitable designs. These could be placed on the north- west and south-east elevations. As the nest places are integrated into the structure both these elevations are suitable. My reasons for suggesting this are as follows: The bricks designed for Swift bricks are suitable for that species but also for several other species including House Sparrows. On the other hand Swifts will not use House Sparrow terraces, and the Bird Brick House Standard box is also unsuitable for Swifts (too small). In fact House Sparrow terraces are seldom all occupied anyway (too much competition) and bricks designed for Swifts are just as popular with House Sparrows Swifts like House Sparrows are now Red-listed Species of Conservation Concern Local data (which both the Council and TVERC both have) show that there is a good population of Swifts in Bodicote, making it even more likely that Swifts will find these boxes Having 5 boxes would be following the guidelines in the Cherwell Council's Biodiversity in the Built Environment, that is 1 per housing unit So I hope that 5 integrated swift bricks will be made a condition of this development. | |
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