

Comment for planning application 21/04275/OUT

Application Number	21/04275/OUT
Location	Part OS Parcel 8149 Adj Lords Lane And SE Of Hawkwell Farm Lords Lane Bicester
Proposal	OUTLINE - with all matters reserved except for Access - Mixed Use Development of up to 3,100 dwellings (including extra care); residential and care accommodation(C2); mixed use local centre (comprising commercial, business and service uses, residential uses, C2 uses, local community uses (F2(a) and F2(b)), hot food takeaways, public house, wine bar); employment area (B2, B8, E(g)); learning and non-residential institutions (Class F1) including primary school (plus land to allow extension of existing Gagle Brook primary school); green Infrastructure including formal (including playing fields) and informal open space, allotments, landscape, biodiversity and amenity space; burial ground; play space (including Neaps/Leaps/MUGA); changing facilities; ground mounted photovoltaic arrays; sustainable drainage systems; movement network comprising new highway, cycle and pedestrian routes and access from highway network; car parking; infrastructure (including utilities); engineering works (including ground modelling); demolition
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Organisation	
Name	Charlie Ross
Address	Lark Rise,Bicester Road,Bucknell,Bicester,OX27 7NE
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>My objections to this absurd proposal are as follows. 1. Firstly, how such a proposed development could ever be described as a village is frankly farcical. As I understand it a village is a group of houses larger than a hamlet but smaller than a town, situated in a rural area. The proposed development is nothing more than an unwanted addition to the already over-developed town of Bicester. 2. The size of this proposed development is well in excess of the original Cherwell District Local Plan, spreading it considerably further than first planned and taking it right up to the parish boundary of Bucknell. 3. The scale of the development will inevitably lead to a vast increase in traffic for the local area and there seems to be no sensible proposals put forward to deal with this traffic. To argue that many of the future residents will work on the site or within the development boundaries shows no grasp of the reality of how people actually live. The re-routed A4095 has had its funding withdrawn so an extra five or six thousand cars will be crammed into the current system which can barely cope with the current numbers. 4. From a Bucknell resident's point-of-view the original buffer laid out in the former plans has now been replaced with a floodlit sports ground to the north west of the site thus overpowering Bucknell with a high level of noise and light pollution. The levels of air pollution in the village are already dangerously high as exacerbated by the Viridor incineration plant. 5. As things stand the rural village of Bucknell already has to contend with more traffic than is manageable and, with the village being used as a rat-run to and from Bicester to Junc. 10 of the M.40, life would become intolerable and even dangerous for the residents who have very little pavement space to walk on and are already having to contend with increasing levels of traffic on a daily basis. 6. In short this is a money-making exercise that has not been thought through and can only be of benefit to the developers. Such a scheme will have a devastating effect on all those who live in Bucknell as well as seriously impacting on Bicester residents. Surely the scheme also flies in the face of the Government's levelling up policy thus increasing the economic divide between North and South. This planning application as it stands should be rejected out of hand.</p>
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