## 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(q)); 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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**Type of Comment** 

Objection

**Type** 

neighbour

**Comments** 

The local general public have given the following comments to me when discussing the proposed development Bicester NW Eco Town @ Hawkwell. 1 No Medical Services.....'Oh, now we will never get an appointment at our Health Centre'. (The elderly, with little voice on such matters, in particular are at desperation point over this serious problem. Endlessly on hold at the end of the telephone then told to ring back when their Dr is on duty. Technology defeating them and no access to online services. ) ' But 3 Health Centres are moving out of Bicester and combining at Graven Hill. How will anyone get there without transport from the opposite side of town?' 2. Shopping .....' Over 3000 houses. How can all the residents shop at a Local Centre with so few amenities?' 3. Traffic.... 'Constantly passing through the narrow roads on the estate before arriving at the total bottleneck of a tiny rural village? What about all the air , noise and light pollution 24 hours a day? Not very Eco.' . 4. Transport..... 'Buses are few and far between as it is. How will the children get to the Senior Schools in Bicester? They are already full.' 5. 'More fields disappearing!! We moved here because we wanted to live in a small friendly and safe Market Town.' 6. 'We will soon be another sprawling Swindon or Milton Keynes if the authorities have their way.' 7. ' Have the developers ever tried negotiating the area at peak times? Our village (Launton)(Chesterton) (Bucknell) etc is an impossible Rat Run without the addition of thousands more cars.' We all have known about and absorbed the various developments thrown our way..... Some of them more palatable than others.... The M40 and The Incinerator to name but a few. What is difficult to understand is why every decision is written in clods of clay. When circumstances have changed over the past 10 plus years why can't such issues be revisited? Brown field sites at the Depot @ Ambrosden now available and being sold off by the MOD. Surely that is more Eco than taking away even more beautiful farmland. They would also have a large Brand New Health Centre on their doorstep. From my point of view, as a long time resident of Bucknell (1985), I feel strongly against many issues in this development 'plan'?!! I did not receive any prior information and yet I live on Bainton Road and now see from the plans that we will be very much part of this development. Having increased the size of the development plus the total number of dwellings by 1/3 ... That is an astonishing increase of over 1000 houses into a rural area. The original plan was for 2000. How can this be tolerated and be allowed to go ahead? Marching rough shod over these beautiful fields, destroying the wildlife habitats, bringing vast numbers of vehicles daily through our twisting lanes is unforgivable. We have no pavements. Our young families, we have 43 young children, will be put at risk whenever they walk outside their gates. I ask you this..... Should you really be planning to totally force an urban lifestyle into our uniquely Historic, working North Oxfordshire village? I appreciate that housing is needed but the present prospective developers have gone way beyond the original boundaries. A huge amount of greed with neither thought nor understanding of this once precious rural county. And finally, just where are all these newcomers going to work? It will certainly not be in the fully

automated Depot/warehouses spread all over farmland on every entrance to Bicester. The

'Developers' also had no answer to this question ...except to mention the shops , Primary School and Restaurant/ fast food takeaway. Employment for 6000 residents?!!? With the world in turmoil our farmers and horticulturalists will need this land to help feed our nation. Once the fields are under concrete the opportunities are gone for ever. I feel someone (our elected local representatives) needs to rethink this development before it turns into an irreversible disaster. Jane Ashe, Glebe Cottage, 7 Bainton Road, Bucknell, Bicester. Oxon. OX27 7LT

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