

Comment for planning application 21/04271/F

Application Number	21/04271/F
Location	Land South of Faraday House Woodway Road Sibford Ferris
Proposal	Erection of 6 one storey age restricted dwellings (55 years) for older people with access, landscaping and associated infrastructure
Case Officer	Wayne Campbell
Organisation Name	John and Penny Perriss
Address	Home Farm, Woodway Road, Sibford Ferris, Banbury, OX15 5RF
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>We object to this development most strongly. Under the Cherwell Local Plan 2011-2031 the targets for development in the villages has already been comfortably exceeded. There is a notable shortfall on completions in the urban areas of Banbury and Bicester. This where employment, education, retail, leisure and entertainment facilities are centred . As a result this is where the majority of people want to live. Until thoses targets are achieved there should be no more significant new housing in the villages. Sibford Ferris and indeed Sibford Gower are two of the most unsuitable locations because of already overloaded infrastructure. There are lengthy journeys of 20 minutes plus to shops, sports facilities, state secondary schools, hospitals entertainment venues. The bus service is poor and there is no other public transport. Private cars are essential and the local minor roads are poor and dangerous. Within the village there are notable traffic bottlenecks at both morning and evening rush hours. Walking through Sibford Ferris is hazardous because of a lack of pavements in the heart of the village. Water and sewage systems are old and near capacity. Permission on appeal has already been given for 25 further houses adjacent to this site. If there is a need for "retirement homes" this should have been considered by the planning authority and built into the existing development and not the subject of this additional application. In summary The Sibfords and in particular The Ferris are some of the least sustainable villages in Cherwell and should have not been classified as Category A villages which even The Inspector at the previous hearing in relation to the adjacent site agreed. If the village is to be more sustainable it needs more younger families with children who will use the school, shops etc not more retirees increasing the existing age profile more. The proposed development will have a greater visual impact than previously approved adjacent one as it is nearer to Woodway Road and therefore more visible from The West and the ANOB. The Sibford Community Plan Of 2012 was against a further development of this scale. It is unnecessary, unwanted and in contravention of the principles of The Cherwell Local Plan. As such it should certainly not be decided under delegated powers but should be considered by The Planning Committee.</p>
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