

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	Tessa Sparks
Address	Barthrop Cottage, Street From Hawkes Lane To Street Through Burdrop, Burdrop, Banbury, OX15 5RQ
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>DRAFT OBJECTION LETTER TO PLANNING APPLICATION - 21/04271/F ON BEHALF OF THE SIBFORD ACTION GROUP Erection of six one storey age restricted dwellings (55 years) for older people with access, landscaping and associated infrastructure - Land South of Faraday House Woodway Road Sibford Ferris - Blue Cedar Homes Limited 24 January 2022 Dear Mr Campbell, I am a resident of Burdrop and am writing to state my total opposition to application by Blue Cedar Homes, of the six proposed one-story dwellings on the edge of Sibford Ferris (Land south of Faraday House, Woodway Road). As a resident of neighbouring Sibford Ferris, I am appalled by the continuous threat we live under from various developers to further develop around us. Much of this stems back to categorisation of the two villages into one Category A village on the Local Plan. This in itself was an error and should be reconsidered and investigated how this happened before any further development takes place. Sibford Ferris does not now have the capacity and infrastructure to take on an increase in population and housing. The roads are very narrow, most of them are only the width of a single car, so any oncoming car must pull to the side creating backups. With any extra traffic (and this includes the twenty-five new houses to be built) it will become impossible to drive in the village. This is going to lead to all sorts of accidents and will be extremely dangerous for pedestrians. Children safely walk the roads in the two villages, but this will change with traffic increases. There is gridlock at the start of the day and when school closes in Sibford Ferris; best to be avoided in fact, so how the village will accommodate further traffic is beyond me. Sibford Ferris and Sibford Gower are either side of a very steep valley, the road linking the two is steep on both sides with a dangerous aspect at the bottom of the valley, again further traffic will be dangerous to cars, pedestrians, dog walkers, and horse riders. The villages of Sibford Ferris and Sibford Gower do not have the amenities to support any more growth. There is one small shop which during Covid could only allow one or two people in at a time. There is one doctor's practise in Burdrop. Burdrop's roads are very narrow making navigating your way to the surgery and finding parking difficult. Sibford Ferris is on the edge of Cotswolds AONB, with a beautiful landscape of farmland, natural flora and fauna. Wonderful deer and muntjac live in the lands around the village. Further development will only erode the natural beauty of the area. Additional developments and housing would be far better suited to nearby towns like Bicester and Banbury who are below their quota of additional housing. If such growth of new developments can take place without thought or clear consideration, I do worry what will happen to the English Village. It is clear to me that such a quintessential part of British life is under threat, constantly fighting off the beady eye of developers whose main objective is growth of their business which leaves the future of English landscapes in the hands of district council planning officers while villagers themselves, fight to protect part of our national heritage. I know there are many more reasons to oppose this particular development which I have not included and there are many more negative impacts on the village and its surrounding landscape than positive, and the ones I have not included will be found in other villagers' letters of opposition which I hope you will consider along with mine. For all these reasons, I urge you to refuse this application. Yours sincerely Tessa Sparks Local resident</p>
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