## Comment for planning application 22/00256/F

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| Application Number | 22/00256/F  |     |
| Location           | North Arms Inn Mills Lane Wroxton OX15 6PY  |     |
| Proposal           | Change of Use from public house to single residential dwelling  |     |
| Case Officer       | James Kirkham   |     |
| Organisation       |   |     |
| Name               | Simon Atkinson  |     |
| Address            | Well Stone,3 Church Street, Wroxton, Banbury, OX15 6QE  |     |
| Type of Comment    | Objection   |     |
| Туре               | neighbour   |     |
| Comments           | The council should think very carefully before granting this application. If granted it would result in a large windfall to a property speculator against the wishes of the community. Whilst our pub has been shut for nine years we have had little opportunity to influence its fate as it has been kept empty by three different owners over this period, each with their own plans for the building, none of which came to fruition. At the end of each period of ownership it has been disposed of fairly rapidly in a timescale that the community could not match. I will not repeat all the good points made by the other objectors from the community but agree with all of them. I should mention that there are several dubious statements in the application. For instance it suggested that we use pubs in neighbouring villages. |     |

Travelling to pubs in neighbouring villages is dangerous as this involves driving or walking along dark country roads. It also suggested that the pub is not commercially viable. The pub can be commercially viable as it has three types of customer: visitors to the village and Abbey grounds (even in winter), university students studying at Wroxton College as well as the local villagers. This represents two more categories than would be the case in other

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villages locally.

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