Comment for planning application 22/00489/F

Application Number 22/00489/F

Location

Os Parcel 9078 And 9975 Adjoining Stocking Lane And North Of Rattlecombe Road Stocking Lane Shenington

Proposal

Erection of 49 dwellings (17 of which (35%) will be affordable homes) with associated garages, parking and refuse storage, private gardens and communal open space/play space, hard and soft landscaping (including SUDs feature and means of enclosure, reinstatement of hedging and ironstone walling along Rattlecombe Road)

Case Officer

Robin Forrester

Organisation

Name

Ben Curnow

Address

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Type of Comment

Objection

Type

neighbour

Comments

I strongly object to the proposed development for the numerous technical reasons not limited to access, traffic, highway safety, drainage and village infrastructure, mentioned in the many other objections. More importantly, the proposal will irreparably harm the character of the village and change for the worse the small community feel forever. Many of the residents, myself included, chose to live in a small, tranguil village, willing to forgo the amenities offered in larger villages and towns in order to enjoy a more peaceful life. The proposal to increase the size of the village by c40%, in such an unsympathetic style with the associated traffic increase, shows a complete disregard for the current resident's quality of life. Shenington with Alkerton is noted as amongst the most attractive and finest examples of the villages of the Ironstone belt that runs through north Oxfordshire into Northamptonshire. The materials proposed by the applicant is completely at odds with this. The use of white render, UPVC fascias, brickwork, and vertically-hung tiles is completely out of keeping with the Hornton stone properties in the village and adjacent Conservation Area. Again this demonstrates a lack of interest in both the local community and the disregard for the character of the area. I fear that the continued construction of these types housing developments, paying no attention to local building materials or architecture, will mean that before long large swathes of the country will soon look exactly the same. At a time when we are encouraged to reduce our environmental footprint and look at more sustainable ways of travelling it seems very strange to propose a large housing development in the middle of a small rural community. With almost no public transport links and no local facilities, Shenington is a Category C village because it is remote, lacking in infrastructure and facilities and is neither an accessible or sustainable location.

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