

# Comment for planning application 22/00489/F

<b>Application Number</b>	22/00489/F
<b>Location</b>	Os Parcel 9078 And 9975 Adjoining Stocking Lane And North Of Rattlecombe Road Stocking Lane Shenington
<b>Proposal</b>	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)
<b>Case Officer</b>	Robin Forrester
<b>Organisation Name</b>	Richard Clapp
<b>Address</b>	Riverside Cottage, Street Through Shenington, Shenington, Banbury, OX15 6NH
<b>Type of Comment</b>	Objection
<b>Type</b>	neighbour
<b>Comments</b>	<p>The sewage system for the villages of Shenington and Alkerton is already beyond capacity. This situation is beyond any reasonable doubt given that (a) as local residents we have a wealth of anecdotal evidence from conversations with Thames Water employees and those of their their sewage contractors Lanes Group plc during their frequent visits to deal with sewage related problems; and (b) the regular - two to three times a year - sight and smell of raw untreated sewage leaking from a manhole cover in the garden of Alkerton House, the property of Mr Richard Guest. This is caused by the mains sewer backing up from a chronic blockage caused by tree root ingress into the pipe work between Alkerton and the treatment works in Shutford. Of late it has also cause noxious odours to back up into bathrooms, in particular the night of April 16th/17th which was followed by the manhole in question flooding overnight on April 17th/18th. See attached pictures. This resulted in raw sewage pooling and building up over a number of hours within 20 metres of the Sor Brook a major tributary of the Upper Cherwell catchment. It is in short an environmental accident waiting to happen. To attach a further 49 homes to such an already woefully inadequate sewage system would be an act of environmental vandalism and make an utter nonsense of the planning consultation system given that Thames Water themselves have admitted the system is not fit for purpose. It must be refused on these grounds alone. Photographic evidence of all the above is available if required but was prevented from being attached herein by the inadequate 5mb file size limit currently being imposed. However, the village is also plagued by speeding traffic, which Thames Valley police and other statutory authorities seem unable, unwilling or disinterested in preventing. A further potential 100 new vehicles using the main through route to access the proposed new homes would see those of us who live on this route fearing for our safety when accessing our own driveways, given that we already do so during the school run and on the days when karting takes place on the airfield, which is seemingly every weekend during the summer months. Finally - we used to have an excellent GP service in the village, which has now dwindled away to virtually nothing. Adding a further 100 plus names to the roll will doubtless change the usual current refrain when trying to book and appointment from 'I can fit you in at the Fenny Compton surgery next week?' to being adjusted to two weeks instead. A two week wait to see a GP at a surgery the best part of ten miles away in another county. What more evidence do you need to refuse this unwanted and unwarranted development. If this application is passed by Cherwell's planners it will demonstrate its utter contempt for local consultation and the views and wishes of the people it purports to serve.</p>
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<b>Attachments</b>	