

# Comment for planning application 22/01340/OUT

Application Number	22/01340/OUT
Location	Os Parcel 6124 East Of Baynards Green Farm Street To Horwell Farm Baynards Green
Proposal	Application for outline planning permission (all matters reserved except means of access (not internal roads) from b4100) for the erection of buildings comprising logistics (use class b8) and ancillary offices (use class e(g)(i)) floorspace; energy centre, hgv parking, construction of new site access from the b4100; creation of internal roads and access routes; hard and soft landscaping; the construction of parking and servicing areas; substations and other associated infrastructure.
Case Officer	David Lowin
Organisation	
Name	Caroline Fetherstonhaugh
Address	The Old School House,St Peters Close,Stoke Lyne,Bicester,OX27 8RU
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>As a resident of Stoke Lyne for 15 years, I strongly object to the Tritax Symmetry Ardley application 22/01340/OUT, for the reasons already eloquently expressed in many hundreds of objections, eg despoliation of greenfield sites outside the Local Plan when brownfield sites exist, pollution, congestion, loss of biodiversity etc. Why build warehouses where no ready labour supply exists? It defies logic to build a speculative 'Warehouse City', so called by the CPRE, across greenfield sites, in total defiance of the Government's Levelling-Up strategy. How much more concrete will be poured and landscape obliterated before we come to our senses and try to save what is left of our green and pleasant land?</p> <p>What astonishes me most, however, about this opportunistic proposal, is how little consideration has been given to Tusmore Park, whose land the warehouses will directly adjoin and over which the warehouses will tower like totalitarian intruders. In Tritax Symmetry's 69-page Archaeological and Heritage Assessment Tusmore House is summarily dismissed as "non-designated" and given only cursory mention, and yet in 2005 Tusmore was described in Country Life magazine as "in scale and quality, the finest Classical country house built in Britain since the Second World War" and deemed of sufficient importance to merit a six-page article by the leading architectural historian Dr John Martin Robinson. In addition, Tusmore won the Georgian Group's award for Best New Building in a Classical Tradition in 2004. There is no doubt that, after the requisite passage of time, Tusmore will be listed by Historic England.</p> <p>I have no vested interest in Tusmore and nor do I know the owners, but I do have a deep and long-standing appreciation of the English country house. Designed by Sir William Whitfield, Tusmore stands triumphant in the newly restored 18th-century landscape park. One of the benefits of living nearby is being able to ride through the richly-planted parkland on well-maintained bridleways and the Jubilee Ride, or to walk across the many public rights of way, enjoying the glorious avenues and spectacular vistas. The estate yields many historic treasures, including a Grade II*-listed 16th-century granary/dovecote and the remains of the medieval settlement of Tusmore, a Scheduled Monument. A remarkable more recent addition, however, was the winner of a Georgian Group Award in 2012: a monumental masterpiece in the form of a 90-feet high limestone obelisk commemorating the Diamond Jubilee of HM Queen Elizabeth II. What an irony that, as we celebrate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee, Tusmore is threatened by the drumbeat of ghastly warehouses marching ever closer up to its gates.</p> <p>Please do not allow this to happen. The English country house is widely celebrated as one of the great glories of our nation, and we should have the foresight and vision to understand Tusmore's contribution to our architectural heritage. The house and park should be protected and cherished for future generations, the Arcadian setting not compromised by ugly modern excrescences built for short-term gain.</p> <p>I urge you in the strongest possible terms to reject this ill-conceived proposal.</p>
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