

# Comment for planning application 22/01488/OUT

<b>Application Number</b>	22/01488/OUT
<b>Location</b>	OS Parcel 5616 South West Of Huscote Farm And East Of Daventry Road Banbury
<b>Proposal</b>	Construction of up to 140,000 sq m of employment floorspace (use class B8 with ancillary offices and facilities) and servicing and infrastructure including new site accesses, internal roads and footpaths, landscaping including earthworks to create development platforms and bunds, drainage features and other associated works including demolition of the existing farmhouse
<b>Case Officer</b>	Samantha Taylor
<b>Organisation Name</b>	Steven Schmalenbach
<b>Address</b>	23 Ridge Close, Banbury, OX16 9BJ
<b>Type of Comment</b>	Objection
<b>Type</b>	neighbour
<b>Comments</b>	<p>I have seen the outline proposals for this development. Having seen the exact same type of warehousing, even down to the same dimensions, elsewhere, I'm horrified that this is even a possibility. Firstly, the location is wholly inappropriate. The extra traffic, especially commercial, will add to the already large burden of traffic at j11 of the M40. Traffic exiting the site, most of which would be heavy 44 ton trucks, will have to emerge onto a fast dual carriageway using a road that has no entry on slip that is long enough for trucks to reach an appropriate speed - the risk of accidents will be hugely magnified. Further, the entire site will completely swamp the hamlet of Nethercote, causing great distress, noise and disturbance to its residents, not only during construction but once the site is in use - these units will possibly be in use 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - as a driver in the logistics industry delivering to sites just like this, I've seen the noise and disturbance caused - thankfully, most of the sites I've visited have been planned and built away from any residential dwellings. On top of all this, there is the devastation that will be visited on the local wildlife and eco systems and the loss of agricultural land - at the time of writing, we are seeing a cost of living crisis which is not being helped by having to import more and more of our food - a blight on the environment in itself. Also, at the time of writing, there aren't enough people to fill warehousing jobs that are already available - plus there are at least four large warehouses standing empty at Frontier Park - a sign that there is neither no interest or no requirement for businesses that could utilise such infrastructure - why add more blights to the landscape when such units nearby are standing empty. Further, there is already enough development on the Banbury side of the M40 - we shouldn't be letting such developments spread like a cancer to the other side of the motorway. There are far more suitable areas not too far away - DIRFT at Daventry, the Prologis site at Lutterworth plus sites at Coventry and Milton Keynes - absolutely no requirement for this development in Banbury. Further again, we need to be attracting more higher quality, technical and innovative, prospective businesses to Banbury who don't require these huge blots on the landscape plus the higher quality jobs and earnings those businesses can bring. Ordinarily, I would have a vested interest in having these sites, both during construction and when they come into use but I regard this site as wholly unsuitable for the reasons I've stated and the damage it will cause.</p>
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