

# 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>	David Lowin
<b>Organisation Name</b>	Daniel Hill
<b>Address</b>	Phoenix Cottage,Blacklocks Hill,Nethercote,Banbury,OX17 2BN
<b>Type of Comment</b>	Objection
<b>Type</b>	neighbour
<b>Comments</b>	<p>Having examined the supplemental information provided by the applicant, we do not believe that it resolves the issues around the massive environmental damage or travel disruption that would be caused by this proposed development. Therefore our original objection stands in its entirety.</p> <p>Particularly we strongly disagree with the applicant's assertion that the new development would be accessible by walking and cycling. The justification that Frontier Park is just as unsuitable for active travel should not be used as justification for another unsuitable, unsustainable development. It is blatantly obvious that almost everyone employed there will arrive by car. Even if every employee did arrive by foot, cycling or public transport, the number of active travel journeys would still be dwarfed by the number of additional HGV movements accessing the site, with no rail access, there is no other method of getting goods to and from it.</p> <p>We also note with concern the proposal that Section 106 funding from the development could be used to fund a link road between the A422 and Overthorpe Road, in order to mitigate some of the travel disruption caused by this and the other unsuitable warehouse developments around M40 J11. Such a link road would be absolutely devastating to the rural hamlet of Nethercote and was clearly proposed by someone who has never visited the area. It would cause massive noise, light and air pollution to the residents of Nethercote during both construction and development, with a 24/7 stream of HGVs running through a previously peaceful agricultural area. It would also have a horrific impact on local wildlife and biodiversity and destroy the area's status as a 'green buffer' between Oxfordshire and Northamptonshire. Adding additional traffic to Overthorpe Road and its bridge over the M40 would also be contrary to the proposals in the Banbury LCWIP to make Overthorpe Road part of a quiet and safe active travel corridor between Banbury, Overthorpe and Middleton Cheney. We would hope that Cherwell District Council will see sense and reject any such plans, so any development that relies on the creation of the link road to make it acceptable should also be rejected.</p> <p>Instead, we would much rather the applicant be obliged to provide Section 106 funding towards active travel improvements to the east of Banbury as specified in the LCWIP, including providing safe walking and cycling links between Banbury, Nethercote, Overthorpe, Middleton Cheney and Chacombe.</p> <p>Finally, despite a redacted version of Appendix 7.2 of the EIS (covering the potential impact on badgers) having been released under a Freedom of Information Request, we note this document has still not been included in the planning documents. <a href="https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/environmental_statement_appendix">https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/environmental_statement_appendix</a> We believe that this should be added to the planning portal so that proper public consultation can take place.</p>
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