Comment for planning application 22/01653/F

Park House, Hornton Lane, Horley, Banbury, OX15 6BJ

Type of Comment

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Comments

Address

Support neighbour

I am pleased to express my support for the proposed village car parking area, footbridge and footpath off Wroxton Lane in Horley.

Car parking in Horley poses increasing challenges. The number of cars continues to grow as residents need to travel outside the village for work and to access amenities, while modern car designs are larger than ever. As a historic village, Horley was not designed with cars in mind, and many houses lack off-street parking.

Although residents take care to park as considerately as possible, the lack of space means that it is common for cars parked along Wroxton Lane to encroach on the road. This is dangerous, as drivers may not be able to see pedestrians, cyclists, and children. The restricted access also risks slowing down or obstructing emergency services vehicles. Without urgent action, this situation could cause or exacerbate a serious accident.

The rows of parked cars along the lane are an unappealing and unwelcoming sight for those entering the village along Wroxton Lane. In contrast, the proposed car park is discreet and unobtrusive, with natural screening from a hedge. The planned footpath and footbridge will provide a safe and pleasant access route for pedestrians.

This scheme has been developed in close consultation with local residents, and takes into account the concerns raised in response to a pre-application. Inaction is not an option, and it is difficult to envision a more appropriate and pragmatic solution than the one under consideration. Rejecting this application or imposing additional conditions would only prolong the current safety risks, and it would be sad indeed if an accident were to occur because of a delay.

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Declaration of interest: My father, John Tite, is Chair of Horley Parish Council, the applicant. I am responding in my own right as a resident of the village, living at a different address. I have not been induced to give any specific response to the consultation, and I do not stand to gain in any way from the project beyond the benefits described above.

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