

Comment for planning application 22/01715/OUT

Application Number	22/01715/OUT
Location	Land South Of Perdiswell Farm Shipton Road Shipton On Cherwell
Proposal	Erection of up to 500 dwellings with associated access, open space and infrastructure
Case Officer	Samantha Taylor
Organisation Name	Oliver Dare
Address	6 Parsons Drive, Woodstock, Oxfordshire, OX20 1GD
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I live with my family in a home on the Park View development, right next to the site of proposed development. I have been a Woodstock resident for five years. When I purchased my home, Blenheim Estate Homes reassured me that they had no plans to develop on the land around the Park View development. This was clearly untrue. I bought my house knowing I would live on a building site for the duration of construction at Park View, and now Blenheim Estate Homes wish to force my neighbours and I to endure years more construction work on our doorstep.</p> <p>The land in questions is one of the only greenfield spaces left around Woodstock itself. To develop on it will have an irreparable impact on the town's environment, and its visual impact will be significant. The loss of wildlife habitat in an area that has just endured the construction of hundreds of new homes will be devastating. None of the proposed environmental work that Blenheim have offered to include in the development would come close to mitigating these issues.</p> <p>The road capacity around south east Woodstock is overstretched, and at times long queues form around the A44 roundabout. This new development will add hundreds of cars to the roads, which is unavoidable given the reduction in public transport on offer in Woodstock. Traffic will be much worse during and after construction of this development, and both air and noise pollution will be terrible. Since we already live close to the A44, we already live with the impact of traffic jams on the road right outside our estate; worsening this will significantly reduce the quality of life for us, our neighbours, and the rest of the Woodstock community.</p> <p>Both GP and primary school services in Woodstock are severely overstretched, and current developments (both new homes and predicted population changes) are set to increase demand further. Blenheim offer nothing in their proposal except a bit of money to try and mitigate these issues. To create both healthcare and education capacity for this new development would require an entire new GP surgery and primary school in addition to the services currently on offer. Blenheim's cash will in no way be enough to cover this, and even if they were to construct buildings for these services, the Council is under such financial pressure that there will not be enough money to run those services, and the cost of living is so high locally that recruiting enough GPs and teachers would likely be impossible. The result of this is that Blenheim will significantly increase the population of Woodstock without any real terms increase in GP or education provision, which will make the already over stretched services completely overwhelmed. This is unacceptable for the Woodstock community.</p> <p>In this development, Blenheim are clearly demonstrating their desire to put profit ahead of any consideration for our community. I therefore object to this development pin the strongest possible terms, and implore the District Council to reject this application for the sake of environmental protection, quality of life for neighbours, and protection of already over stretched essential local services.</p>
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