## Comment for planning application 22/01773/F

Application Number 22/01773/F

**Land South of Faraday House Woodway Road Sibford Ferris** 

Proposal Erection of 6 one storey age restricted dwellings (55 years) for older people with access,

landscaping and associated infrastructure - re-submission of 21/04271/F

Case Officer Wayne Campbell

Organisation

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Type of Comment

Objection

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OBJECTION LETTER TO PLANNING APPLICATION - 22/01773/F Erection of 6 one storey age restricted dwellings (55 years) for older people with access, landscaping and associated infrastructure - Land South of Faraday House Woodway Road Sibford Ferris - Blue Cedar Homes Limited

Dear Mr Campbell, My wife and I have lived in Sibford Gower for over 14 years and I am writing to you to object to the planning proposal referenced above on the following grounds. The proposal is contrary to the Cherwell Local Plan 2011-2031. Targets have already been exceeded for this, and thousands of permissions for housing have already been granted in Cherwell which have not yet been built in a cynical 'land-banking' exercise.

In documented expert opinion, Sibford Ferris, Sibford Gower and Burdrop are erroneously categorised as a Category A village and should be reviewed as soon as possible. These villages have poor transport access on narrow minor roads with long distances to key facilities and little public transport. Traffic congestion is already an ongoing problem with numerous bottlenecks in the 3 villages and extra traffic will cause more CO2 emissions and worsen air quality. The current Gades Homes development is now set at 25 homes after starting with approval for 8. Given this developer creep it is likely that Blue Cedar will gain approval for a much larger development too. All these developments are affecting the longstanding peace and beauty of these ancient villages and degrading the views and outlook of the local countryside which should be preserved for residents and visitors alike. The current proposal also exceeds the number of houses agreed to in The Sibfords Community Plan.

With the addition of the recent Hook Norton Rd. site then there is no further local requirement. Government guidance on the location of housing for older people emphasises good public transport and proximity to public amenities and health services. The current proposed site can offer none of these. There is no thought spared for our greenbelt here in The Sibfords. This is the countryside - stop cementing over it! Our wildlife, flora and fauna are increasingly being depleted by such vast developments. We need to protect our greenspaces for future generations to enjoy. This is an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and we should not give in to the greed of developers who have no care for our villages, but only

want to make a hefty profit. In conclusion we urge you most strongly to refuse this proposal, Yours sincerely Andrew and Brigette Boyd Vine Cottage Bonds End Lane Sibford OX15 5RT

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**Attachments**