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I first objected to this application on 22nd September 2022, subsequent to which the applicant has submitted various amendments, none of which alter my original view that the application represents overdevelopment, is contrary to the Local Plan, is unsustainable, and will adversely impact both existing residents and those the developer presumably believes would purchase its properties; not least due to the absence of sufficient infrastructure that the developer's meagre "offer" doesn't even begin to mitigate. Ambrosden has experience of planning gain not being delivered, or of it being allocated in places other than the village where the problems caused occur.

The applicant's agent's letter, dated 4 April 2023, either exhibits contempt for the views of those who have responded to the consultation, or is entirely disingenuous where it concludes, "There are no consultee objections to the proposed development under this planning application on the grounds of agricultural land, landscape and visual impact and tree impact." Perhaps the applicant's agent expects the members of the planning committee to take their word for it, for reading through the 91 (at the time of writing) objections from local residents will expose the mendacity of the claim.

I also note the applicant served notice on 27th January 2023 that it intended to lodge an appeal with the Planning Inspectorate. Bully boy tactics that the Planning Department presumably saw through.

Cherwell District Council has now satisfied its land supply obligations. Speculative developments like this one, which take from the community and give nothing in return but grief for those who have to live in and around them, need to be robustly denied.

I hoped to be able to attend this week's meeting of the Planning Committee, or possibly to use videoconferencing to address members. Regrettably, neither is possible due to work commitments, so instead I hope the members of the Planning Committee will accept this written statement and will reject the application. The amendments submitted by the applicant don't even start to make the development remotely acceptable.

Best regards,

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