Comment for planning application 22/03452/F

Application Number 22/03452/F Location OS Parcel 6920 East Of Oxford Road And Adjoining And South Of Canal Lane Bodicote **Proposal** Erection of new 128-bed residential care home (Use Class C2) together with associated access, parking and landscaping **Case Officer** Andy Bateson **Organisation** Name Chris Mason **Address** 21 Hatch Way, Kirtlington, Kidlington, OX5 3JS **Type of Comment** Comment Type neighbour Comments The building should include a minimum of 12 Swift nest bricks. These should be integrated into the structure of the building. Swift bricks will last as long as the building, unlike nest boxes which have a limited lifespan. Other reasons for making this recommendation are that: There is a good colony of Swifts in Bodicote, including several on the east side of the 1. village quite close to the proposed building, including at Park End, Bodicote House and Banbury Cricket Club. 2. Swifts are Red-listed as a species of Conservation Concern. Integrated Swift bricks are also likely to be used by other Red-listed species like House 3. Sparrows and Starlings. Incorporating nest bricks would make a valuable contribution towards the requirement to enhance biodiversity.

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It would also accord with the Council's Guidelines for Biodiversity Enhancement.

I would therefore request that the inclusion of integrated Swift bricks be made a condition of any development approved.

Chris Mason (Cherwell Swifts Conservation)

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