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Ref /22/03873/F. Objection

I have tried to make comments on JBM's promotional material and social media. The Forms by JBM only allow generic positive responses and myself including many others have been unable to submit any comments on the application thus far.

When Cherwell review the comments on the planning portal, one will see the Positive comments submitted. Please note these comments are generic from the contact forms on social media and are far outweighed by Objections, however the objections are not submitted to the council by JBM, they are deleted. We have had to rely on residents sharing the planning portal details, as again these have not been supplied by JBM so many members of the community have been unable to have their views heard. The Generic objections posted are from people from outside the area and do in no way match the opinions of local residents and communities, as such little or no weight should be apportioned.

This development quite simply could not be sited in a more unsuitable location. The Landscape is of High value, as detailed in Cherwell's own assessments and is very much valued by local residents, Horse riders and local business who rely on the scenic surroundings. A horse breeding stud and wedding venue lie directly either side of the proposed site. The solar farm could be sited in the many other suitable locations where the adverse impact is far less and no loss of farmland would occur.

To call this project 'Green' and 'with 'biodiversity net gain' quite simply beggars belief. To dig up 2 miles of productive farmland for tracks, fill with many hundreds of thousands of tonnes of concrete and aggregate, cabling, piles, CCTV, fencing which restricts animal access etc, as well as the massive carbon footprint involved with the manufacture, shipping, build, disposal.

This piece of countryside is stunning and has the impression of parkland, with views into the site from surrounding roads and is widely used recreationally and has fabulous footpaths which would be ruined. The increase in Noise by at least 20db is not acceptable and breaches policy.

Cherwell must look at the bigger picture in this case, see the value in this undisturbed setting and save the land for food production and amenity value. This is even more important with the increased development of Bicester encroaching on the countryside, HS2, East West rail and Bicester Motion.

The mitigation proposed would not lessen the negative impact of the scheme and these developments are only allowed in Cherwell where adverse effects can be satisfactorily addressed. My view, the local residents that have engaged with, both parish councils, CPRE, are strongly of the opinion that this proposal should be refused on these grounds as well as by reason of planning policy detailed in the other objections. I sincerely hope Cherwell officers recommend this application for refusal.