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For the attention of: Andrew Thompson, Cherwell District Council

Proposal: Outline planning application for up to 147 homes, public open space, flexible recreational playing field area and sports pitches with associated car parking, alongside landscaping, ecological enhancements, SuDs, green/blue and hard infrastructure, with vehicular and pedestrian/cycle accesses, and all associated works (all matters reserved except for means of access).

Location: Land South Of Green Lane Chesterton

Your Reference: 23/00173/OUT

Our Reference: 97431 (Tracker No: #19085)

Dear Andrew,

Thank you for your letter of 25 January 2023 consulting us on the above planning application.

National Highways has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as a strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the Strategic Road Network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such National Highways works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

We would be concerned with proposals that may have the potential to impact on the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in this case the M40 and A34 and in particular, M40 Junction 9, which is located approximately 3 miles from the site and regularly experiences congestion during peak hours.

Given that the application site is not allocated within an adopted local plan, and that it is located close to an SRN junction with existing congestion, we request that the applicant provides AM and PM peak hour distribution flows for all arms of the M40 J9 roundabout. This should show the expected number of development trips leaving/joining the SRN (M40 & A34) at each arm of the roundabout.

In the meantime we recommend that the Local Planning Authority does not grant planning permission for the application (Ref: 23/00173/OUT) for a period of 56 days (until 11th April 2023) from the date of this recommendation to enable the applicant to respond to the outstanding technical matters and to allow us to provide the Local Planning Authority with fully informed advice.

Please find attached our NHPR form in this respect.

Regards

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