

RESPONSE TO PLANNING APPLICATION NO; 23/00173/OUT

Please take these concerns into consideration when the application is under review:

- (i) I do not feel that this application, which is speculative and on land previously classified as open space is sustainable under so many criteria.
- (ii) 147 homes would add 30% to the existing number of homes in Chesterton parish (426 homes) and including the recently approved number of homes on Bicester Gateway in our Parish (273) would add nearly 100% more homes to our Parish total. By any standards this development would create a disproportionate increase in a village with very limited services.
- (iii) It is unsustainable in terms of highway safety. This would increase traffic on Akeman Street to join the B430 joining the existing "rat run" to avoid the A41/J9.
- (iv) It is unsustainable given the existing Local Plan which allocated 750 homes across 22 villages in Category A villages. Already under this plan Chesterton has two new estates creating 100 new homes. It is disproportionate to allocate any more housing (excepting infilling) upon the village.
- (v) The village school is operating at full capacity and an additional 56 pupils from the 147 homes in the application would create some serious problems in the future for places in the school wider catchment areas.
- (vi) The service provision in Chesterton is totally inadequate to accommodate 147 more homes. There is no bus service, no footpaths on any roads and no shops or medical facilities. The absence of such service provision will inevitably lead to yet more local traffic which is unsustainable and we would have to endure gridlocking on the A4095 on many occasions.

Please reject this application as unsustainable.

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