

# Comment for planning application 23/00853/OUT

<b>Application Number</b>	23/00853/OUT
<b>Location</b>	Land East Of Warwick Road Drayton Warwick Road Banbury
<b>Proposal</b>	Outline application for up to 170 dwellings (Use Class C3) with associated open space and vehicular access off Warwick Road, Banbury; All matters reserved except for access
<b>Case Officer</b>	Linda Griffiths
<b>Organisation</b>	
<b>Name</b>	Catherine Wythe
<b>Address</b>	Horley Manor, Little Lane, Horley, Banbury, OX15 6BJ
<b>Type of Comment</b>	Objection
<b>Type</b>	neighbour
<b>Comments</b>	<p>The proposed development is a further extension of urban Banbury into the rural space. It will effectively join Banbury to the small and historic village of Hanwell, destroying the character of the village. Banbury has seen significant expansion with new housing developments along all major routes over the last few years, providing a large number of new homes. This development would lead to the loss of open green space, used by both Hanwell and Banbury residents, and a great support for mental health as people can access the countryside, the loss of ancient view points across open land and light pollution which is specifically a concern with Hanwell housing an observatory. Amenities in this area are insufficient for further development. Doctors surgeries are already under pressure, as are schools. The development would effectively create ribbon development on both sides of the B4100 heading out of Banbury, which would merge rural and urban, to the detriment of both.</p> <p>The area proposed for development hosts a variety of wildlife including deer, foxes and badgers, a large variety of birdlife and significant hedgerow habitat which is already under threat throughout England. Loss of grasses and wildflowers will have an impact on the number of pollinators in the area, which will have long term negative effects.</p> <p>In terms of the land bank requirement, Planning Officer Imogen Hopkins has stated the CDC is able to demonstrate 5.4 years of housing land supply, and this is after the vast amount of new and already approved developments. The development of this site would be in conflict with the local plan which seeks to distribute housing to the most sustainable locations. This plan constitutes residential development in the open countryside beyond the built up limits of both Hanwell and Banbury, and it has not been demonstrated that there is an essential need for this to occur. The site would lead to increased congestion on the B4100 into Banbury, and further air pollution.</p> <p>Fundamentally, by reason of its scale and siting the proposed development would adversely impact the character and appearance of the area and have a negative effect on air pollution, light pollution and the mental and physical health of those around it, notably who bought houses specifically with a rural aspect. This includes families with SEN children and adults with conditions such as autism.</p> <p>I strenuously oppose this application</p>
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<b>Attachments</b>	