

Comment for planning application 23/00853/OUT

Application Number	23/00853/OUT
Location	Land East Of Warwick Road Drayton Warwick Road Banbury
Proposal	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
Case Officer	Richard Greig
Organisation Name	Mr Brant (on behalf of HanFEST Organisers Committee)
Address	HanFEST C/o Great Thatch Cottage, 6 Main Street, Hanwell, Oxfordshire, OX17 1HN
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>The HanFEST Organisers Committee OBJECTS to this Planning Application submitted by the Vistry Group.</p> <p>HanFEST is an established community event that is proud to celebrate Hanwell's rural and historic village identity and outstanding landscape that surrounds the village. This Planning Application would destroy the countryside setting of Hanwell, merging the village as a suburb of Banbury.</p> <p>Each year, HanFEST attracts over a 1,000 visitors from the surrounding area and beyond to come and celebrate the rural village character, history and countryside setting. If this Planning Application was to be approved by the Council it would put an end to that identity and setting and our event would no longer be as attractive to visitors (and traders) that come and visit from near and far, therefore having a negative financial impact to this well established community event.</p> <p>Not only would this development be damaging to HanFEST, but it would also be damaging to the Conservation Area in Hanwell, which is the vast majority of the village. The Hanwell Conservation Area exists to protect the special architectural and historic interest of the village - including; St Peter's Church, Hanwell Castle and the Grade II Listed cottages that line Main Street.</p> <p>This proposed large scale housing development site is less than 96 meters away from Hanwell's Conservation Area. Not 100m as Vistry describes in their application.</p> <p>We would also like to draw to your attention the Hanwell Castle Parkland which once covered the land which includes a part of the proposed development site. We believe the land has great historical importance, which has not been fully investigated by the developers' archaeological consultants.</p> <p>The HanFEST Organiser Committee also OBJECTS to this Planning Application for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- proposed development site does not feature in Cherwell's apported (or draft) Local Plan, it is outside of BAN5 and an established green buffer was planted 15+ years ago to protect Hanwell and it's Conservation Area from developments just like this;- erode an important gap of undeveloped farm land, that is protected under existing planning policy;- cause loss of high-grade- (Grade 2 and 3a) farmland crucial for sustainable farming and food security;- result in piecemeal housing development in the open countryside, outside the built-up area of Banbury;- Cherwell District Council has met its housing supply for the next +5 years;- result in loss of amenities such as green spaces;

- result in the loss of important public open countryside views - having an negative impact of resident's mental health and wellbeing.

ATTACHMENT: Map highlights how close the development would be to the Conservation Area.

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