

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	Helen Taylor
Address	7 Arden Close, Drayton, Banbury, OX15 6EQ
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I recognise the ever increasing need for more housing (and genuinely affordable housing) and the pressures to find new land for this, and I know we can't all say 'no' to every development on the basis that it is on our doorstep because development has to happen somewhere, but I would hope the clear strength and overwhelming sentiment of a local community's objection to a planning application would be taken very seriously. In Hanwell's case, there are really legitimate concerns that this new development is a step too close and too far and will irreparably damage the rural character of the village, which has stood protected for centuries. There surely must be other greenfield sites more suited to development, where the impact on neighbours would be less sorely felt. Banbury should be conserving its beautiful surroundings for posterity. Ultimately, if the town loses its rural satellite villages it will become a less attractive area to live and work and the town will suffer, both in wellbeing and economic terms. A balance should be retained. Hanwell residents have seen a gradual encroachment into their village boundaries already. Developers and their profit-making imperatives should not take precedence over the needs of long established communities. Yes to new housing; no to it spoiling the rural environments we should be treasuring.</p>
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