

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	HORLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Address	Horley Parish Council,c/o 9 Gullivers Close,Horley,OX15 6DY
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>Ref Planning Application 23/00853/OUT I write on behalf of Horley Parish Council in the role of the Parish Clerk</p> <p>After a Parish Council meeting held on 11th May 2023, the Council has resolved to OBJECT to the proposed planning application - ref as above - by Vistry Homes for housing between Banbury and Hanwell (Warwick Road) This application is detrimental to both Banbury and to Hanwell and the Parish Council's objections are set out below</p> <p>The proposal is contrary to the Cherwell Local Plan (and draft Local Plan) and related spatial planning policy and would result in the coalescence of the Banbury urban area and Hanwell Village, contrary to adopted planning policies, and to the detriment of both. It is an erosion of an important gap of undeveloped land that is protected under existing planning policy.</p> <p>Hanwell is an historic village, a conservation area and has a cast and an observatory. This development would have a negative impact on setting of the conservation area and heritage assets.</p> <p>Cherwell District Council has approved a new housing land supply statement which demonstrates that the District has a 5.4 year housing supply for 2022 - 2027, so this development is not needed. Banbury has also had an enormous amount of new development on all sides in recent years and this does not appear to be taken into account when looking at forward development. Further, this proposal is to develop a site that CDC has previously assessed as clearly 'not suitable' for development.</p> <p>The proposal would cause the loss of an important, prominent landscape feature that adds to the character and identity of open countryside north of Banbury and have an adverse impact on the local environment and rich biodiversity of the area. It would result in loss of amenities such as green space, used for exercise and an essential element in maintaining both physical and mental health. It would harm an area of high landscape value.</p> <p>The proposal would cause loss of high grade (Grade 2 and 3a) farmland crucial for sustainable farming and food security, which is becoming ever more essential.</p> <p>The proposal would cause traffic congestion, access and safety problems. The main road is a 'B' road and already busy with the traffic from current housing, which will increase with the new housing already under development. It would add to the strain that the local infrastructure is already under - doctors' surgeries, vets and dentists for example.</p> <p>On behalf of Horley Parish Council David M. Beck - Horley Parish Clerk.</p>
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