## 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

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**Type of Comment** 

Objection

**Type** 

neighbour

Comments

I am writing to object to this planning application as I believe there are a large number of issues with the application

Previous planning was granted on the understanding that the mature tree-line that exists between Hanwell and Hanwell Chase would not be developed past, this is a natural boarder between Banbury town and the countryside and should not be breached.

The land in question is not in the current local plan or emerging new plan; such speculative development is not needed given CDC can demonstrate a 5.4+ year housing supply anything extra is simply not needed or warranted.

Hanwell is a Conservation Area; there is significant negative visual impact for Hanwell and other conservation designated villages (such as Horley & Wroxton) and a creep into the rural villages that surround Banbury. These villages hold a significant heritage value to the rural history of the area which should be respected and not ruined by new and creeping housing developments. Hanwell's individual identity will also be destroyed with no local or national planning policy to justify this. It will also cause an increase in traffic on an already pressurised network within Henwell itself which is a small rural village with a small winding road running through it. If used as a cut through which it will, it will pose a health and safety risk to residents given that for much of the village it is practically a single track road. I note that the parish council has repeatedly raised this in recent years.

It will also cause significant hinderance to the local communities with road closures if the new development occurs as has happened with the previous developments. There will also be an added pressure to local amenities and to the larger Banbury road network which is already over loaded and has become in recent years with all the new development a gridlocked nightmare during rush hour which it wasn't before.

This also represents a significant loss of productive arable land; development land is predominantly Grade 2 prime agricultural ground with excellent yield crops. As well as lost environment for our local wildlife which is already struggling and seeing a decline because of excessive developments.

There is also a significant acreage along the Hanwell side of Banbury that has already been granted permission to build on and has not been built on yet. I suggest this is done so before anymore land is proposed for development alongside sorting out the road infrastructure and amenities of Banbury itself so it can catch-up with the significant increase to its population in the last 10 years.

Yours sincerely

Geoffrey Loxton

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