Comment for planning application 23/02098/OUT

Application Number 23/02098/OUT

Location

Begbroke Science Park Begbroke Hill Begbroke OX5 1PF

Proposal

Outline application, with all matters reserved, for a multi-phased (severable), comprehensive residential-led mixed use development comprising: Up to 215,000 square metres gross external area of residential floorspace (or c.1,800 homes which depending on the housing mix could result in a higher or lower number of housing units) within Use Class C3/C4 and large houses of multiple occupation (Sui Generis); Supporting social infrastructure including secondary school/primary school(s) (Use Class F1); health, indoor sport and recreation, emergency and nursery facilities (Class E(d)-(f)). Supporting retail, leisure and community uses, including retail (Class E(a)), cafes and restaurants (Class E(b)), commercial and professional services (Class E(c)), a hotel (Use Class C1), local community uses (Class F2), and other local centre uses within a Sui Generis use including public houses, bars and drinking establishments (including with expanded food provision), hot food takeaways, venues for live music performance, theatre, and cinema. Up to 155,000 net additional square metres (gross external area) of flexible employment uses including research and development, office and workspace and associated uses (Use E(g)), industrial (Use Class B2) and storage (Use Class B8) in connection with the expansion of Begbroke Science Park; Highway works, including new vehicular, cyclist and pedestrian roads and paths, improvements to the existing Sandy Lane and Begbroke Hill road, a bridge over the Oxford Canal, safeguarded land for a rail halt, and car and cycle parking with associated electric vehicle charging infrastructure; Landscape and public realm, including areas for sustainable urban drainage systems, allotments, biodiversity areas, outdoor play and sports facilities (Use Class F2(c)); Utility, energy, water, and waste water facilities and infrastructure; together with enabling, site clearance, demolition and associated works, including temporary meanwhile uses. The Proposed Development affects the setting of a listed building and includes potential alterations to public rights of way. The application is accompanied by an **Environmental Statement**

Case Officer

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Organisation

Name

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Type of Comment

Comments

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Objection

neighbour

I would like to voice my objection to what is a huge planned development, about which residents have not to my knowledge been consulted (I certainly haven't), and which as far as I understand will represent pretty much the creation of a small town in itself, with vague promises about infrastructure and very little information about the impact on transport. I understand from other sources that what is in reality being proposed is an out of town campus for the university, with very little benefit to the local community, especially in terms of much needed affordable housing, except for the bizarre mention of things like 'hot food takeaways' in the planning application, extra traffic, loss of green spaces and amenities, including public rights of way. I am concerned that a planning application that no sensible people would possibly approve will be rejected and then be replaced by a slightly smaller that will then sound sensible - I find this all very worrying.

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