## 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 a
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Type of Comment	
Туре	Objection
	neighbour
Comments	I am writing to formally express my objections to the above application for the proposed multi-phased residential-led mixed-use development. I have carefully reviewed the proposal, and I believe there are several significant concerns that warrant reconsideration. Firstly, the scale and density of the development, including the potential construction of up to 1,800 homes and extensive infrastructure, raises concerns about its impact on the local environment and existing communities. The proposed development will result in increased traffic congestion, strain on public services, and potential disruption to the character of the area. The inclusion of mass housing and various commercial and professional services, including retail, cafes, restaurants, and a hotel, are not in line with the existing residential character of the locality. The proposal also includes flexible employment uses, including research and development, office space, and industrial facilities. While economic development is important, it is crucial to ensure that such activities are compatible with the surrounding residential communities and that appropriate measures are in place to mitigate any adverse effects. Lastly, the scale and complexity of the project, as indicated in the accompanying Environmental Statement, raise concerns about its environmental impact. It is essential to carefully assess and address any potential negative consequences on the local ecology, including sustainable drainage systems and biodiversity areas.

In light of these concerns, I respectfully request that the Planning Department reevaluates the proposed development thoroughly. It is essential to ensure that the development aligns

	with the existing character of the area, minimises adverse impacts on the environment, and considers the needs and concerns of the local community.
	This application must be considered along with other existing and future plans, and the devastating impact on the fields and green belt should be considered.
	Thank you for considering my objections. I trust that the Planning Department will carefully evaluate these concerns as part of the decision-making process for this application.
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