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**

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Comments Kidlington Parish Council accepts the principle of the proposed development in accordance with the site allocation in the Cherwell Local Plan (Partial Review) to address Oxford's Unmet Housing Needs.

> However, Kidlington Parish Council has reservations to aspects of this outlie planning application and objects on the following grounds:

i. Affordable Housing

Kidlington parish Council objects to affordable housing proposed as it does not directly address Oxford's unmet housing needs. Kidlington Parish Council considers that providing affordable housing that addresses the needs of Oxford University does not meet the requirements specified in the Local Plan and has the potential to create the need for future Local Plan site allocations for this purpose. The affordable housing as specified in the Local Plan should met with this development proposal.

Kidlington Parish Council also objects to the tenure provision associated with affordable housing within this application as not meeting the requirements detailed in the Local Plan, specifically for social rented housing.

- ii. Kidlington Parish Council maintains a holding objection to the overall development associated with education provision. The Parish Council seeks an appropriate resolution of provision in agreement with Gosford Hill School to ensure that there is no detriment to the existing provision of secondary education in Kidlington.
- iii. Kidlington Parish Council objects to the closure of Sandy Lane Crossing as indicated in this application, whilst accepting this is largely a matter dictated by Network Rail.

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