## Comment for planning application 23/02338/OUT

**Application Number** 23/02338/OUT

Location

Land West Of Oxford Close And North Of Corner Farm Station Road Kirtlington

**Proposal** 

Erection of 15 detached and semi-detached single and two-storey dwellings (including affordable housing) together with access, parking, amenity space and landscaping - resubmission of 22/03049/OUT

**Case Officer** 

Jeanette Davey

**Organisation** 

Name

Mrs Elizabeth Russell

**Address** 

The Glebe, Troy Lane, Kirtlington, Kidlington, OX5 3HA

Type of Comment

Objection neighbour

**Type** Comments

Dear Sir/Madam

I am objecting to the above application. Kirtlington village has already grown considerably over the 25 years we have lived here. With the development of Upper Heyford, Bletchingdon and Bicester being considerable - and with no changes to the road infrastructure, the amount of traffic through it has become a danger to residents. Even with the change to the speed limit down to 20mph, which has at least slowed some vehicles down - the blind bends for the access for this new development remain a huge danger. I live in Troy Lane, and it is still incredibly hard to get out of either end of it without concern of oncoming traffic - if they are going even slightly over the 20mph, it is hit and miss. The same will be so of the blind bend area of the A4095.

Furthermore, the large development of housing at Bletchingdon towers above the countryside changing the overall feeling of this green belt area considerably. This proposed development of housing will do the same to Kirtlington by changing the feel of the conservation area and green belt land. It is obvious looking at the map this is the thin edge of the wedge as once these are allowed, the rest of those fields in that area will slowly be given permission for further development - note comments from the previous withdrawn submission this August 22/03049/OUT.

In addition, the adjacent Kirtlington Quarry is a geological Site of Special Scientific Interest. It is a Geological Conservation Review site, and it is part of the 7.4-hectare (18-acre) Kirtlington Quarry Local Nature Reserve. Over the years this has become overrun by visitors from Bicester and the surrounding towns and not up to the amount of 'foot traffic' already. This development will change the feel of this area, and damage it. Kirtlington is already large enough and in order to maintain its specific heritage, conservation and beauty that is unique to this village, further development should be severely restricted.

There is already a huge problem for the sewer system in Kirtlington due to it being overrun thanks to overdevelopment. This development is purely a money making exercise by the landowner and of no benefit to Kirtlington whatsoever. There is no shop in Kirtlington, the post office is set to close and hardly ever open, the schools and Doctors in the area are limited, and the traffic beyond its maximum.

I note that the new application does not mention the withdrawn Planning Application: 22/03049/OUT which was withdrawn just in August of this year... for 8 dwellings only. This was considered inappropriate. So how can 15 be any better? This site has been continuely bombarded by planning submissions starting with a ridiculous try of 95 dwellings back in September 2014 14/01531/OUT. I see the new application seeks to use the fact that the 14/02139/OUT application for 75 dwellings is now reduced to 15 and is therefore a benefit! I would strongly urge that the same issues that were raised and caused a rejection of all past applications still remain. Please note once again the most recent application of 8 was considered inappropriate - in particular the objections from Kirtlington Parish Council and the Mid-Cherwell Neighbourhood plan consultation responses for 22/03049/OUT.

I strongly urge the Council to reject the proposal and request no further attempts are made.

Yours faithfully

Elizabeth Russell

## **Received Date**

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