

# Comment for planning application 23/03428/OUT

<b>Application Number</b>	23/03428/OUT
<b>Location</b>	OS Parcel 7921 South Of Huscote Farm And North West Of County Boundary Daventry Road Banbury
<b>Proposal</b>	Outline planning application for the construction of up to 140,000 sqm of employment floorspace (use class B8) with ancillary offices and facilities and servicing and infrastructure including new site accesses. Internal roads and footpaths, landscaping including earthworks to create development platforms and bunds, drainage features and other associated works including demolition of the existing farmhouse
<b>Case Officer</b>	Chris Wentworth
<b>Organisation Name</b>	Andrew Steven
<b>Address</b>	Tite Cottage, Thorpe Road, Wardington, Banbury, OX17 1SP
<b>Type of Comment</b>	Objection
<b>Type</b>	neighbour
<b>Comments</b>	<p>This is another cynical attempt to destroy valuable farmland with totally unnecessary warehousing. The proposal will cover approximately 70 acres with concrete and destroy beautiful, valuable and actively farmed land.</p> <p>The proposal seeks to place a mini-roundabout right on the very sharp bend where the A361 leaves the M40 roundabout and turns north. This is a dangerous corner as-is, and being so close to the M40 roundabout will lead to tailbacks on the roundabout itself and will without doubt cause accidents. It is frankly dangerous.</p> <p>The proposal for 10 distinct warehouse or commercial zones covering approximately 70 acres is extraordinary in its scope and will utterly destroy the surrounding environment. It will attract an unprecedented volume of traffic with associated noise and pollution, not to mention the additional wear and tear on the roads, which are in an utterly shameful state as is.</p> <p>The A361 was reclassified from a B road towards the end of the 20th century. The traffic levels through the village of Wardington and beyond are already too great for this road, and by adding such a large volume of new commercial space, far more traffic from the north will be drawn to this narrow, winding and thoroughly dangerous road. The council should consider reclassifying it back to a B road.</p> <p>There is insufficient housing and infrastructure to support this development. If the council see it as an employment opportunity, all workers will need to drive to work (more congestion and pollution), they will need to be housed (not enough houses as it stands) and their children will need to be educated (not enough school places as it is).</p> <p>If the council passes this development, it can only be seen as an utterly cynical grab for more business rates, as there can be no other reason for this application to be granted. I wish to object to it in the strongest possible terms.</p>
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<b>Attachments</b>	