Comment for planning application 23/03428/OUT

Application Number 23/03428/OUT

Location

OS Parcel 7921 South Of Huscote Farm And North West Of County Boundary Daventry Road Banbury

Proposal

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 infastructure 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

Case Officer

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Organisation

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Type of Comment

Objection

Type

neighbour

Comments

Despite previously being refused on 15 planning grounds, a new planning application has been submitted for 10 warehouses, around 23m high (FOUR double decker buses) across the ancient farmland at Huscote Farm. Apparently the developer has not understood the word "No!" when this application was previously rejected.

No substantial amendments have been made to the previous application that would make this one in any way relevant.

It is a purely speculative application which has not been part of the strategic land use / economic development plan of Cherwell District Council.

The applicant suggests more warehousing will bring jobs to Banbury. In reality, established warehouses have many employees from outside of the area because they can't fill the roles locally. This suggests more warehousing will not provide the jobs that local people are looking. I am the main Admin on the Bicester Jobs group on Facebook, which covers an area that includes Banbury. I have seen first hand the number of posts with agencies and employers looking for staff, and regularly re-advertising the jobs because they cannot fill them at the rate offered, yet refuse to yield to market forces and pay people more / improve terms and conditions.

Additionally, the two completed warehouses built on A361 in 2020 have stood empty, despite being advertised for nearly three years.

NO to more traffic misery around J11 M40 & across the wider area

NO to more empty warehouses

NO to taking away habitat for an abundance of wildlife

NO to building across ancient ridge & furrow

NO to destroying the beautiful landscape

NO to increased flood risk

NO to increased air pollution

NO to pursuit of profit overriding local & national policies

I fail to see the need, the advantage, nor any strategic planning in this application. This development is quite simply not wanted nor needed.

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