

Comment for planning application 24/00097/F

Application Number	24/00097/F
Location	Land South Side Of Widnell Lane Piddington
Proposal	RETROSPECTIVE - Material Change of Use of land to use as a residential caravan site for 12 gypsy/traveller families, each with two caravans, including improvement of access, laying of hardstanding and installation of package sewage treatment plant
Case Officer	Jeanette Davey
Organisation Name	Trish Wills
Address	15 Lower End,Piddington,Bicester,OX25 1QD
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I do not see how this can be retrospective when no one is resident on the site at all, let alone the 6 pitches approved. The application says the site is not vacant when it clearly is - photo attached.</p> <p>The original application for the site was only finally approved on appeal for 6 pitches and with very specific pre commencement requirements to a rigorous standard. Approval of this retrospective application would therefore overturn the appeal decision, likely remove all the conditions that were set and therefore does not comply with planning procedures. This is totally unacceptable. The pre commencement requirements have also been breached which I understood voided the original planning approval.</p> <p>I would also question if there really is still a need for any pitches as nearly 4 1/2 years after the original approval, none have been created. This request for 12 pitches is purely to make this a more viable commercial enterprise rather to meet any specific need.</p> <p>I also object on environmental grounds as there has been clear disregard for the existing newt population (unrectified damage to their habitat and insufficient surveying of the current situation).</p> <p>Finally I have severe concern on the flooding potential of the site and any increase to the number of hardstandings will increase run off into the local area, including the village. The village has experienced increased flood levels in the last few years, not just on the usual south/ north aspect but from the west, which is where this site sits in regard to the village. It is now such a concern that the Ray Valley flood forum has been formed by OCC and other key stakeholders in an attempt to improve the situation. Therefore any building on this site will have a knock on effect to the village.</p>
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