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 Susan Roberts

Address 12 Lower End, Piddington, Bicester, OX25 1QD

Type of Comment

Objection neighbour

Type Comments

The question of invalidating existing planning consent for the 6 pitches granted, work was started before fulfilling pre-commencement conditions. Has this set a precedent for flouting future conditions & requirements.

As opposed before distance from services, which brings into question welfare for the traveler community.

It's an important area for endangered Great Crested newts, as acknowledged in planning as grounds for refusal of previous applications, & a pond was filled in regardless of the precommencement conditions.

The site is in close proximity to noisy, dusty industry in the form of concrete batch plant. Proximity to MOD training ground,

Pylons

Speculative development (no local ties)

With all the above, where is the welfare of these residents considered? Lane too narrow to accommodate large cumbersome vehicles & trailers

Site exit is on a bend

No foot paths or streetlights along the lane

Damage would be considerable to the road, verge's & drainage ditches

It would dominate the local community of Piddington, contrary to government guidance for such a site.

There is no attempt to design in keeping with local tradition of the village.

Proximity to River Ray, area of recognised wildlife value.

Concern about surface water runoff contaminated with diesel, getting into the water courses. Is ther need in this area?

Station Caravan Park, Banbury was never a designated traveller site, so its figure should have not been taken into consideration.

FLOOD RISK

The area of Piddington is prone to flooding, standing water & flash floods.

Large are of hard standing takes away land for water to soak away.

Even if the sites makes run off into drainage ditches it would add to additional strain & flooding.

Village is regularly cut off & A41 by standing water. Additional pressure on drainage on Widnell Lane risks isolating parts of the village. Likely leakage from septic tanks when water table is too high.

Why are there no provisions in the local plan for traveller sites in sustainable locations?

Have Brownfield sites been considered before greenfield?

Why was Gravenhill not considered as this land is owned by the council!

Received Date

07/02/2024 13:36:50

Attachments