Comment for planning application 24/00245/OUT

Application Number 24/00245/OUT

Location

South Lodge Fringford Road Caversfield Bicester OX27 8TH

Proposal

Outline application for demolition of existing structures and erection of up to 99 dwellings, access, open space and associated works with all matters reserved except for access

Case Officer

Andrew Thompson

Organisation

Name

Ian and Caroline

Address

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Type of Comment

Objection

Type

neighbour

Comments

In the Cherwell Local Plan 2011-2031 Caversfield is listed as a Category C village so only extensions and infill houses are permitted. This planning application is almost identical to the one submitted by Cala Homes ten years ago - except with less properties but with the same density of build. It was dismissed on appeal. Nothing has changed. New houses for a growing population are been provided by other estates in Bicester who have the infrastructure already in place.

Caversfield cannot sustain this development! We currently have no local amenities, such as shops, post offices, doctors, schools etc. To add 99 families to an already stretched infrastructure, no matter how green or environmentally friendly the development would be, would be an injustice.

Water:

The water systems are privately owned by management companies and already struggle to cope with the housing there is in Caversfield. Water and other utility providers have made it abundantly clear that we are at capacity.

Traffic:

The applicant's Acoustic Air Survey was carried out 26-31/7/23 during the school holidays when traffic was light so it is not a valid measurement. With the new road layout taking place to replace the roundabout traffic from the west of Bicester will no longer be able to turn around and then turn left into Fringford Road. Instead all the traffic will be forced to use Aunt Ems Lane which will become a rat run. As will Skimmingdish Lane with all the new houses using these roads. What provision will be made for all this extra traffic on the feeder roads in and out of Caversfield. It will only make cycling more dangerous with more cars trying to fit down narrow roads.

It is insulting to say that people will walk along Aunt Ems lane and then down to the B4100 (approx 15 mins) in the rain/cold in winter with no street lights to catch a bus. What provisions will be put in place for an older generation to navigate their way in and out of Caversfield?

Safety of the pedestrians will be non existent and every one will just use their cars instead.

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