Comment for planning application 24/03218/F

Application Number 24/03218/F Location Church View Manor Road Great Bourton OX17 1QP **Proposal** Change of Use of The Bell Inn Public House (Sui Generis Use) to use as a dwellinghouse (Class C3 Use) and associated minor external alterations to the building and works **Case Officer** Shona King **Organisation** Name Nick and Pippa Dale-Harris **Address** Pilgrim Lodge, The Green, Great Bourton, Banbury, OX17 1QH **Type of Comment** Objection **Type** neighbour

We are writing to express our strong objection to the proposed change of use of The Bell Inn in Great Bourton. Without the pub a vital hub of our community will be lost forever. As the only surviving pub serving the communities of Great and Little Bourton it is essential that it continues to operate and retain its status as a public house. When the pub was put up for sale by Hook Norton, we believed that it was being sold for continued operation as a pub. At no point during the sale process were we informed either by the seller (Hook Norton) or by the purchaser (the applicant in this case) that there was any intention to sell or purchase the property for any other use. We believe that under the right management, and with the support of the community, The Bell Inn could once again become a thriving village pub where people can regularly meet and connect socially. If the present owner (the applicant) does not wish to operate the premises as a pub, the community is standing ready to step in and take up the mantle.

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