

Whilst I understand we need more housing in the village, I feel that this is the wrong place to site a fairly large development. In 3 or 4 areas along The Moors a house with a large garden has been demolished enabling a small development in a cul de sac to be built which has minimal impact. This proposal could easily bring approx 600 extra cars straight into The Moors along with the extra delivery vans, maintenance lorries etc with very close proximity to the houses each side of the access road. The Moors and Mill Street are already used as a rat run by vehicles trying to avoid the constant traffic congestion through the middle of the village. This will only increase in both areas and the size and condition of these side roads are not suitable for a considerable increase in traffic. It already takes ages to get out of Church Street and St Mary's Close and other side roads with the numbers of cars passing through and driving too fast. There are 3 elderly persons accommodation along The Moors where all the residents have to cross the road to access the village centre which could be dangerous with all the extra traffic. It will be traffic chaos.

With potentially over an extra 1000 adults and children there has to be consideration to the 2 doctor's surgeries and schools in the village. Both surgeries are extremely busy and trying to see the doctor is difficult enough now but with all the extra people this development would bring to the village will make it impossible. There are 2 very small pharmacies which are good but swamped now with the volume of work. Then there is the actual area where the houses are planned to be built. This is Greenbelt land where a lot of people like to walk, relax and exercise taking in the mental and physical benefits of outdoor spaces. It will be a huge impact to nature and the wildlife in an area of Old Kidlington that should be preserved for all to enjoy as I and my family do. It floods, surface water lies in these fields for weeks making it unsuitable for housing. Where will the increased run-off go other than the houses in The Moors? It is also near a nature reserve where there are owls, skylarks and deer to name a few.

This area was not included for development in the Local Plan 2042 and should not be developed now. When one development is allowed to go ahead in an area like this then it's the beginning of more that will be approved in time to come and we will lose all the natural green areas in and around the village. Views of St Mary's Church which has been there for generations would be lost other than those 'framed' by the new streets.

There are already plans to build 4400 houses in the area which will hugely impact on traffic congestion and the available services in the village. Let's get this upheaval out of the way before it's decided if more housing is required.

Once the pavilion and 2 sports pitches has been built, who will be responsible for financing the running costs? Kidlington already has Stratfield Brake and Exeter Hall both providing community spaces, and sports facilities at Stratfield Brake. Exeter Hall desperately needs updating. Maybe finance this instead of building a new facility. There are also new sports facilities planned in other new developments near Sainsbury's and Bicester Road making the 2 new proposed pitches unnecessary.

As I said, I am not against development. We are in need of affordable houses. My son has had to move out of the village to.

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