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By email only

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Dear Ms Horley,

Re: Extension of time limit of 09/00584/F Variation of Condition 8 of planning permission 04/02797/OUT

Thank you for consulting the Berks, Bucks & Oxon Wildlife Trust (BBOWT) on the above application. As you are aware, we have been involved as a consultee on this application site for many years now, and have made numerous representations.

However, we did not submit comments in relation to the 2009 application (09/00584/F) for variation of condition 8, since it was only to allow submission of a road and drainage scheme as a reserved matters application prior to approval of the master plan, and we did not consider that this minor change in itself would have any adverse ecological impacts.

On receiving this application, it was very unclear to me what extending this permission for variation of a condition would achieve. I am most concerned by the suggestion, made by Mr Dominic Woodfield in his consultation response of 5th July 2012, that the intention of this planning application is to extend the life of the entire outline permission.

As you will be aware from our response to application 10/01667/OUT we object to the extension of time for development of this site. In light of the emerging new ecological information for the site, material changes to legislation and policy, and revised housing provision requirements since the outline permission was given in 2006, it is the view of BBOWT that the whole application needs to be reassessed.

We therefore object to the extension of time for development of the site, should this be what the current application seeks to achieve, and I refer you to our most recent letter dated 11th August 2011 (please see attached) which sets out in detail our concerns.

I would be grateful for a response to provide clarification as to what the effect of extending permission 09/00584/F would be.

Yours sincerely,

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