

# **OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S RESPONSE TO CONSULTATION ON THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL**

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## **Purpose of document**

**This report sets out Oxfordshire County Council's view on the proposal.**

**This report contains officer advice in the form of a strategic localities response and technical team response(s). Where local member have responded these have been attached by OCCs Major Planning Applications Team ([planningconsultations@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:planningconsultations@oxfordshire.gov.uk)).**

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**Officer's Name:** Lisa Michelson

**Officer's Title:** Locality Manager

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## Transport

### Recommendation:

Objection

### Key issues:

- Some points raised in previous response not addressed
- Tracking needs to be provided for the car park access – including for recycling vehicles
- Space allocated for cycle parking is insufficient

### Legal agreement required to secure:

n/a

### Conditions:

I would not be happy for cycle parking to be conditioned, as space is tight and the applicant needs to ensure that sufficient space is left for cycle parking.

### Informatives:

For information, the parking area and open space would not be adopted by the county council.

### Detailed comments:

- 10 sheffield stands (with appropriate spacing) were requested to be provided. The space indicated for them is not adequate, being roughly the space of one car parking space, considering the stands should be 1 metre apart and the space is not wide enough for two rows of stands, including the cycles parked at them. There needs to be enough space around each stand to conveniently park cycles without damage, or people will be discouraged from using the cycle parking. As this is short term cycle parking, I would be happy for it not to be covered, if that helps the design. The important thing is to have sufficient space to accommodate different types of bicycle including those with wider handlebars, paniers, baskets and child carriers. The low levels of parking at the local centre mean it is extremely important to encourage people to walk or cycle there rather than to drive – that includes people bringing children to school – parents' bikes are unlikely to be allowed on school premises. Given my concerns that insufficient space is

being allocated to cycle parking, I would like to see a plan showing how the individual stands are laid out.

- The red line area includes parts of the spine road which was the subject of a separate reserved matters application. The outline of the road in this application does not match up with the spine road plans, in particular the service layby at the front of the convenience store is not shown (although the bus layby around the corner has now been shown). This is required because the layout of the yard behind the store is too tight to allow for the larger lorries that may deliver to the convenience store.
- The car park now has one entry/exit point. Tracking is required to show that cars entering and leaving the car park can pass one another at this access, to avoid cars having to wait on the spine road, causing congestion on the bus route. As recycling bins have been introduced, this must also allow for the larger glass collection vehicles that will need to enter the car park.

**Officer's Name: Joy White**

**Officer's Title: Principal Transport Planner**

**Date: 21 October 2015**

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