

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

District: Cherwell

Application no: 14/01835/REM-4

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Location: Longford Park Road Bodicote

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).

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Recommendation:

Objection

Key issues:

- 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:

Comments on layout plan 1419-102-Rev N

- 10 sheffield stands (with appropriate spacing) were requested in our previous response to be provided. The space indicated for them is still 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. To reiterate my comments from the previous response: 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 car park now has one entry/exit point. Tracking was requested 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. The application documents do not appear to include a drawing showing vehicle tracking.

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