Comment for planning application 16/00472/OUT

Application Number	16/00472/OUT
Location	S Grundon Services Ltd Merton Street Banbury OX16 4RN
Proposal	Proposed residential redevelopment for approximately 200 units
Case Officer	Rebekah Morgan
Organisation	
Name	Cherida Plumb
Address	61 Alma Road,Banbury,OX16 4RT

Type of Comment

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Comments

Objection neighbour

I am raising an objection as an owner and resident on Alma Road with respect to traffic and safety in the area. The council has continued to agree to developments in the area with scant regard to the impact of increasing traffic on local residents and safety. The building of the Alma road development has significantly increased traffic in the area which was manageable until the building of the station car park. The roads in Grimsbury have now become gridlocked and peak times and just the simple act of trying to get down Merton street to get home has become almost impossible due to the amount of traffic on Merton street and the traffic coming out of high am way from the car park. The Oxfordshire plan clearly lays out the pressure on the road system in the older parts of north Banbury and recommends that measures need to be put in place to reduce traffic in these areas, not increase it, so surely the inclusion of another 200 dwellings, and therefore potentially another 300-400 cars through road systems that are already operating at above capacity as well as being used by aggressive drives as rat runs to circumnavigate the lights on the Middleton road, is contrary to the needs identified in the Oxfordshire plan for this area. The council have not allayed fears about the road system for this development and the surveys already undertaken have not adequately addressed the issue of access and traffic in this area. Given that the council have previously failed to act adequately on issues raised about the junction and have also failed to act in good faith and release a noise survey for the area, I oppose this planning application and would like to see further investigation in to options to reduce the pressure of traffic at the junction of Merton street, higham way, and Middleton road. The current system is already over-capacity and a solution is need to alleviate this pressure before any new dwellings can be considered in this area, such as extending higham way to connect to alternative routes outside of Grimsbury

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