

Application no: 16/00472/OUT-6

Location: S Grundon Services Ltd, Merton Street, Banbury

Transport Schedule

Recommendation:

Objection for the following reasons:

- The proposals do not confirm to Oxfordshire County Council's Cycle Design Standards and because of this, appropriate opportunities to promote sustainable travel modes have not been taken up (NPPF Para 110 a)

If despite OCC's objection permission is proposed to be granted then **OCC requires prior to the issuing of planning permission obligations and conditions as set out in the Transport Schedule of our Single Response of 30 December 2019.**

Comments:

CDC has consulted us again on this application, due to the number of changes that have occurred throughout the process.

One such change is that, since this application was first submitted, the county council has adopted its Cycle Design Standards, which require a higher standard of cycle provision than that provided for in the proposals for the link road through the development. Due to the fact that this will become a connecting road between the town centre and a major employment area, there are likely to be high volumes of pedestrians and cyclists using the road, as well as a substantial volume of car traffic. It is therefore vital to provide sufficient space to accommodate cyclists and pedestrians without the risk of conflict.

We would be prepared to accept pedestrian and cycle facilities on one side of the road only for much of the length of the road, but there needs to be a separate footway (2m) alongside a 3m cycleway, as well as a separating strip between the cycleway and the carriageway. This will add to the width of the corridor, but we consider it is a required level of provision given this central location and the importance of the link.

We would accept dedication of the additional land for the separate footway, pending the connection of the link road.

In other respects, the plans (which have not changed since our single response of 20 December 2019) are acceptable.

Oxfordshire's Cycle Design Standards can be found here:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/roads-and-transport-policies-and-plans/cyclingstandards.pdf>

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