

Rebekah Morgan

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Subject: Merton Str./Higham Way - Grundon services 16.00472.OUT

Dear Ms. Morgan,

I write on behalf of the Civic Society. We believe you are the case officer for this development and we are aware that a decision on the proposal was deferred at the meeting on 19 September last. However we have been unable to trace, through the Portal, whether or not the item has been subsequently considered again by Committee. Have we missed an entry ?? Can you update us, please ?

Reviewing the objections, it is obvious that there is (or was) considerable disquiet amongst local resident regarding the impact of this additional housing on the highway and movement infrastructure of the locality.

The Society believes it is possible, and very desirable, that both OCC and CDC should actively and positively consider the future highway facilities in this part of Banbury with a view to mitigating this impact. To this end we draw attention again to the suggestion of extending Higham Way through (or around) the housing development to connect at least with Chalker Was in order to relieve the Merton Str. / Middleton Road junction and also provide highway access to the, so far, undeveloped part of Ban 6.

However at the moment the only plan for the proposed development we can trace shows a 'spine road' penetrating the 'Grundon' housing scheme only as far as Blocks G & H, and these blocks would effectively block any further extension of Higham Way southwards.

We argue that this would be a missed opportunity 'par excellence'.

Regards

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