

Comment for planning application 18/00825/HYBRID

Application Number 18/00825/HYBRID

Location Heyford Park Camp Road Upper Heyford Bicester OX25 5HD

Proposal A hybrid planning application consisting of: • demolition of buildings and structures as listed in Schedule 1; • outline planning permission for up to: > 1,175 new dwellings (Class C3); > 60 close care dwellings (Class C2/C3); > 929 m2 of retail (Class A1); > 670 m2 comprising a new medical centre (Class D1); > 35,175 m2 of new employment buildings, (comprising up to 6,330 m2 Class B1a, 13,635 m2 B1b/c, 9,250 m2 Class B2, and 5,960 m2 B8); > 2,415 m2 of new school building on 2.45 ha site for a new school (Class D1); > 925 m2 of community use buildings (Class D2); and 515 m2 of indoor sports, if provided on-site (Class D2); > 30m in height observation tower with zip-wire with ancillary visitor facilities of up to 100 m2 (Class D1/A1/A3); > 1,000 m2 energy facility/infrastructure (sui generis); > 2,520 m2 additional education facilities (buildings and associated external infrastructure) at Buildings 73, 74 and 583 for education use (Class D1); > creation of areas of Open Space, Sports Facilities, Public Park and other green infrastructure. • the change of use of the following buildings and areas: > Buildings 3036, 3037, 3038, 3039, 3040, 3041, and 3042 for employment use (Class B1b/c, B2, B8); > Buildings 217, 3052, 3053, 3054, 3055, 3102, and 3136 for employment use (Class B8); > Buildings 2010 and 3009 for filming and heritage activities (Sui Generis/Class D1); > Buildings 73 and 2004 (Class D1); > Buildings 391, 1368, 1443, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 (Class D1/D2 with ancillary A1-A5 use); > Building 340 (Class D1, D2, A3); > 20.3ha of hardstanding for car processing (Sui Generis); and > 76.6ha for filming activities, including 2.1 ha for filming set construction and event parking (Sui Generis); • the continuation of use of areas, buildings and structures already benefiting from previous planning permissions, as specified in Schedule 2. • associated infrastructure works, including surface water attenuation provision and upgrading Chilgrove Drive and the junction with Camp Road.

Case Officer Andrew Lewis

Organisation Name James Taylor

Address Manor Farm House, Somerton Road, North Aston, Bicester, Oxfordshire, OX25 6HY

Type of Comment Objection

Type neighbour

Comments The implication of this plan is a potential huge increase in traffic on completely unsuitable small country and village roads. North Aston is a conservation village with a narrow road running through it and some houses right on the road. There is very limited protection for rural residents in the village in terms of pavements - no lighting. blind corners and in some parts barely room for two passing cars and certainly no room for two larger vehicles. North Aston is a farming estate and the roads are used by farm traffic and livestock. The recent experience of a huge increase in traffic through the village when the Lower Heyford bridge was shut for repairs was intolerable and the village became quite unsafe for its own residents to walk down the road many of whom are elderly. The crossroads on the A4260 is unsafe and cars can back up significantly down the Somerton Road putting pressure on drivers at the crossroads to take unnecessary risks. It was always the case that the road network leading west across the Cherwell Valley was completely inadequate and unsuitable to cater for any major housing development at Heyford Park and it would be appalling to ruin these relatively unspoiled and historic villages by creating a rat run just to mitigate traffic at Middleton Stoney which is a far bigger and safer road.

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