

Comment for planning application 18/00825/HYBRID

Application Number	18/00825/HYBRID
Location	Heyford Park Camp Road Upper Heyford Bicester OX25 5HD
Proposal	<p>A hybrid planning application consisting of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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.
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Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I object to this application as it will redirect East-West traffic through Ardley/ Somerton and North Aston and increase traffic flow significantly above and beyond the anticipated increase from new housing on Heyford Park. The roads running through these villages are narrow with multiple blind corners, for example Somerton Road in Ardley, bridges across the Canal and the river Cherwell at Somerton (which is essentially single-lane). I do not think there is further capacity for vehicular traffic in these lanes. Somerton Road in North Aston, where I live, bisects the village. Key amenities including the parish Church, allotments and public green spaces distributed on either side on this road which means that residents frequently cross this road to access them. Our community has a mixed demographic which include elderly residents and families with young children. Safe access to green spaces and amenities which represent the beating heart of our village has to be paramount in the council's priorities. In my opinion as a practicing medical doctor, the ability to safely access these spaces in our village has always been a lifeline especially to the more vulnerable residents of our village, both in terms of physical and mental health. This need has been further emphasised by the Covid 19 crisis. The council's aims are promoting sustainable and environmentally-friendly transport solutions are laudable and to be supported. However this application represents the antithesis to those aims in that they merely decant the burden of vehicular traffic to surrounding village lanes ill-suited to this purpose, and posing ever greater danger to the communities that live there. I urge the council planners to reject this application and pursue instead a sustainable and fair solution for all the communities that live in this area of the Cherwell Valley.</p>
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