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 of 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

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Organisation

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Objection

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Type of Comment

Type neighbour

Comments

The amended application does not address the issues with increased traffic in the surrounding villages, the roads on which this increased traffic will travel are not able to cope with such numbers. The bridge over the canal at Somerton is not designed for heavy traffic and North Aston roads are not designed to take huge volumes due to its width and lack of and the narrowness of the pavements. Our children have to walk to the school bus along narrow pavements with no protection against speeding traffic. At its narrowest point pedestrians cannot walk two abreast. In order to access public transport the stretch between the village and the main road has no pavement and is outside the 30 mph limit. The crossroads at the end of the village to access the main road is dangerous and has poor visibility and is a fatality waiting to happen. Why should our residents be sacrificed for the benefit of Heyford Park? Are the lives of our children less valuable? The offer of 55,000 for traffic calming measures is an insult - what do the developers think that would purchase? The properties in our village are close to the road, putting the risk of injury or even death higher, but again our residents' lives seem not to be valued. The government want us to find alternative methods of transportation to reduce congestion and pollution, but increased traffic generated by these bus gates will make it unacceptably dangerous for our children to cycle to school. Being a rural community surrounded by farm land, have the needs of local farmers' been considered? Livestock needs to be moved around between pastures, tractors and heavy machinery need to transfer easily. The countryside is not a playground, but a thriving industry, employing local people. Moving stock on a busy road is both time consuming and dangerous. Horse riders and cyclists are already vulnerable and increasing traffic Puts them at greater risk. Covid 19 has had a dramatic effect on all of our lives, the way we educate, work, pursue leisure activities, etc and increased traffic does not fit with the Government's advice on self isolation, home working, controlling the infection rate. Heyford Park will be a thriving community, with extensive facilities and that is to be applauded, but not at the expense of the surrounding villages. I implore the planning

committee to reject the bus gate plan.

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