CHERWELL DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

CONSULTATION – PLANNING APPLICATION

Application No: 16/02116/F Agricultural barn on agricultural parcel

Location: 7 Walford Road, Sibford Ferris

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COMMENTS FROM SIBFORD FERRIS PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Sirs

The Parish Council wishes to object to the above planning application and makes the following observations:

1. The proposed barn would have a significant detrimental impact on the valley within the conservation area (AG2 [retained] *Farm buildings and associated structures requiring planning permission should normally be so sited that they do not intrude into the landscape or into residential areas; ESD13 Proposals will not be permitted if they would: cause undue harm to important natural landscape features and topography; harm the historic value of the landscape;* C33 [retained] *The Council will seek to retain any undeveloped gap of land which is important in….preserving a view or feature of recognised amenity or historical value)*.
2. The proposed barn would be visible from many points in Sibford Ferris, Sibford Gower and Burdrop, in contradiction to the assertion made by the applicant on this point.
3. Historically, all planning applications in the conservation area in the valley between the two settlements have been refused and the parish council would not wish for a precedent to be set for future applications.
4. Access to all the agricultural paddocks in the valley is from Mannings Hill. The access to the paddocks adjoining the properties on Walford Road is restricted to mowing machinery, as shown in the residents’ deeds, a restriction which forms part of the original planning consent for the development.
5. The proposed lighting to the barn would cause light pollution in the conserved valley (ESD15 *New development proposals should limit the impact of light pollution from artificial light on local amenity, intrinsically dark landscapes and nature conservation)*.
6. There are many springs rising in the valley and the parish council is concerned that effluent from the development may affect water courses in the vicinity (ESD8 *Development proposals which would adversely affect the water quality of surface or underground water bodies, including rivers…..as a result of directly attributable factors, will not be permitted*).

Yours faithfully

Anita Spencer

Clerk

Sibford Ferris Parish Council

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