

Comment for planning application 19/01047/OUT

Application Number	19/01047/OUT
Location	Land North East Of Oxford Road West Of Oxford Canal And East Of Bankside Banbury
Proposal	Outline planning application for a residential development of up to 850 dwellings; green infrastructure including formal (playing fields with changing rooms, allotments) and informal open space, landscaping; and associated infrastructure including a balancing pond; on land off the A4260, with access off the existing Longford Park access off the A4260 (Oxford Road), and a new access off the A4260 (Banbury Road). All matters of detail reserved, save for access.
Case Officer	Samantha Taylor
Organisation Name	Peter Monk on behalf of Banbury Civic Society
Address	55 Waller Drive, Banbury, OX16 9NS
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>Banbury Civic Society wish to object on the following grounds - a) Despite the provisions of the Approved Local Plan there appears to be no pressing need for further dwellings to be built on the perimeter of Banbury. Companies are already having difficulty in selling those that are being, or have been, built - reference to promotional incentives on social media support that statement. b) The northern access should be directly to the recently constructed junction on the A4260 and not via the internal road network of the adjoining phase of Longford Park - those roads are not adequately designed for that purpose nor for the additional traffic load, not to mention road safety aspects for existing residents. The method of achieving this might impact on the existing play area, which should not be so close to heavily trafficked roads anyway. However there must be some highway connection between the phases to allow access to the primary school and the yet to be completed community and social facilities. c) Is the area allocated for the relocation of Banbury United adequate? At present many home, and away, supporters can access the existing stadium and facilities by public transport and/or on foot, but the new location will inevitably attract much more vehicle traffic and there does not appear to be sufficient parking provision. There does not appear to be any likelihood of sharing facilities with the Rugby Club. d) Any impact on, or removal of, the trees around the Rugby Ground must be resisted. e) The supporting documents include proposals to widen Oxford Road from Grange Road to Upper Windsor Street. THESE ARE UNACCEPTABLE as they infer the removal of the existing mature trees on the south side. It is not clear where this requirement has come from (O.C.C. ?) but we should NOT be making it easier for increased volumes of traffic to penetrate the Town Centre core - movement on the South Bar and Cherwell Str axes is difficult enough at present. It would be preferable for financial support to be directed towards periphery highway improvements (e.g; The South-to-East Link Road) which, combined with the Bodicote to A361 link would provide a west to east 'ring' around the south of the town from the A361 to Chalker Way / M40. f) The developer should be pressed for infrastructure road improvements to be a pre-condition of any approval, e.g. including a condition such as : - "No development shall take place on site prior to the implementation of the necessary off-site highways improvements required on either Oxford Road or elsewhere as specified."</p>
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