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Planning Policy South

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Subject: STRAT 13 Development including Stand-alone added Application - Bayswater Farm Field

Dear Councillor

I have been a resident [REDACTED] for 24 years and I am absolutely fuming that the landowner of the field on the other side of the bridle path at the bottom of the road is to submit a planning application to build houses on what is currently green belt land and, furthermore, that he suggests Burdell Avenue and the bridle path are opened up to provide access.

I completely and utterly object to both:

Traffic wise, Sandhills is currently a quiet and safe place to live. Our roads are narrow compared to other places and, [REDACTED] Burdell Avenue is narrowed even further by a large tree trunk. It is not acceptable to turn this road into a rat-run or indeed Hill View, Delbush Avenue or Merewood Avenue. To do so would produce road safety issues for all residents, and those attending the primary school especially when using the alley access in Delbush Avenue. Congestion and pollution levels would rise greatly, particularly where traffic would be queuing at the lights at the top of Merewood Avenue waiting to leave Sandhills. This is contrary to Oxfordshire County Council's proposed CPZ namely "CPZs is a key element of the County Council's Parking Strategy, and forms part of action plans to tackle the problems of congestion identified for Oxford, as well as improve air quality ..." In addition, Sandhills has one access/exit straight onto the A40. The A40 can ill afford to have more traffic foisted upon it; the redevelopment of the old Neilsen site is already adding to it. The landowner also suggests an access/exit road onto Bayswater Farm Road which in turn will also add to congestion at Green Road roundabout. Housing at Barton Park has already done so.

To propose to build a road across a bridleway is ludicrous and unsafe. It is used often and daily and by many different people for different reasons, including recreation. To propose to build on green belt land is to ignore the protection of the environment; our trees, fields, woods, brook and wildlife living in them. Mental health and well-being needs to be protected for everybody, now more than ever. We need to retain our green space.

I urge you to remove (Sandhills) Bayswater Farm Field (BFF) from STRAT 13 rejecting planning permission for this site.

Kind regards

Susan Warland (Mrs)