



Objection to the building of 87 dwelling to the rear of 271 Cliffe Lane Gomersal, application number 2023/92966

I wish to object to the above application for the following reasons.

Given 87 houses, there will be 150+ extra cars using Cliffe Lane which is a narrow lane particularly going downhill. Woodlands Road and Woodlands Crescent areas already have many parked cars and children playing. Latham Lane through a quiet Drub village the extra traffic will lead to increased noise and pollution here. Grove Lane, which has no footpaths and used by school children is already a dangerous cut through for cars. West Lane with its difficult junction onto Oxford Road already has extra housing being built or planned already, this goes onto Oxford Road, which even as a larger road, is far too busy now with school children coming from the primary school and BBG school. This means a large number of small roads with an increased risk of accidents and clearly an increase in noise and air pollution around an already congested area, clearly leading to further health problems.

These 87 houses will clearly impact on a loss of beautiful scenery from Cliffe Lane, Cliffe Mount Thatchers Way, Latham Lea and possibly Latham Farm, Bawson Court and parts of Latham Lane as well. This planning application is clearly going to impact many people in Gomersal.

Already the primary school and BBG are oversubscribed and the need is clear that the old Gomersal First School will have to be reopened to cope with all the extra houses already being built in Gomersal, that is without these additional 87 houses being built.

With the 87 houses the whole area of Gomersal will lose its village feel which I know many local people want to have.

Animals will also feel the impact with a clear loss of natural habitat. Even if it's proven there is no nesting for birds, bats, newts in the field many animals move and hunt in such areas and this will impact nature both in the field being built on and in the surrounding areas with this lack of area to hunt and move etc. Trees are they say the lungs of the planet and yet trees will be taken down to make way for 87 houses 150+ cars, this being totally unacceptable to many local people.