Objection to an Urgent Crown Development Order for MOD Bicester Site A

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Dear Secretary of State,

I am writing as a local resident to oppose the use of the urgent planning process for the proposal to accommodate up to 1,250 single adult male asylum seekers at Site A, MOD Bicester.

On 9 July, my MP, Calum Miller, was informed by a Defence Minister that the Home Office first approached the MOD about the use of this site in November 2025.

You will be aware that the use of the site for such a huge asylum camp is very controversial – and widely opposed – locally. It is very important that local people – and our local representatives in the councils, health board, police and other services – are given sufficient information and time to make an intelligent response.

I live about 4 miles away from the proposed development and have childcare responsibilities to collect my grandchildren from school. At the moment I either travel past Bullingdon Prison or drive up Pans Hill towards Oakley. I am very worried that on driving I could be stopped by a very large group of male asylum seekers and now feel my only option is to use the M40 motorway! It just doesn't seem fair that I will have to go out of my way to feel safe, yet they are able to come and go as they please. To be fair they probably don't want to be there either as there is nothing for them to do and this will become a problem, in Bicester town,Bicester Village and the surrounding villages.

It is clearly unreasonable for this to be considered "urgent". The Government cannot consider it for nine months and then give local residents a matter of days to contribute to a consultation.

Can I therefore urge you to withdraw consent for this to be treated as an urgent application and instead insist that the usual planning process is followed so local voices can be heard about a proposal that will affect local villagers far more than any Secretary of State in London.

Yours sincerely

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