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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.

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.

[redacted]his scares me and is already making the PTSD episodes more frequent at the thought of having 1250 asylum seekers on my doorstep, I thought finally I was safe. I am living in [redacted] which is a straight road probably [redacted] My [redacted] also plays for [redacted] grassroots football who use the pitches opposite site A - when we are without a car, we are practically stuck in the village and there is 1 shop locally. The bus service is good but on a Sunday we have 1 bus in and 1 bus out of the village - I am unsure how this can work and feel the anxiety rising as I type this. Please think about the people already trying to improve their own lives before you add more potential carnage into the mix.

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 us far more than any Secretary of State in London?

Yours sincerely,

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