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From: [redacted]
Sent: 13 September 2026 20:00
To: Crown Casework
Subject: Proposed asylum accommodation centre may site A, MOD Bicester

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Dear Secretary of State,

Re: Planning Application PCU/RARE/C3105/3378843 – Proposed 1,256-person asylum accommodation centre at Site A, MOD Bicester

I am writing as a local resident to strongly object to this application and respectfully ask that planning permission be refused.

My concerns are not about individuals seeking asylum. They are about whether this is a suitable location for a development of **1,256 people**, and the potential impact on the safety and wellbeing of existing families, children, residents and local businesses.

I am particularly concerned about **safeguarding**. The Government has considered it necessary to provide asylum seekers with guidance explaining UK laws and expectations, including information about sexual consent, the age of consent, domestic abuse, gender equality and appropriate behaviour. I believe this makes it especially important that the safeguarding arrangements for a centre of this size are fully examined. Local families should be confident that their children and vulnerable people will be properly protected.

The proposed centre would also represent a huge change for the surrounding community. The site is relatively isolated, with limited public transport and few services within walking distance. A population of this size could place considerable pressure on local roads, services and businesses and could significantly affect the character and amenity of the area.

There are also serious unresolved technical concerns, including:

- potential ground contamination which has not been fully investigated;
- surface-water flooding and unresolved drainage arrangements;
- concerns regarding the B4011, pedestrian safety and highway capacity;
- unresolved arrangements for permanent electricity and wastewater;
- outstanding ecological and technical work;
- concerns regarding fire safety, lighting, noise and decommissioning.

I am also concerned that residents have been given insufficient time to properly examine an application running to well over 1,000 pages. I respectfully ask that the consultation period be extended to at least **21 days from 7 September 2026, ending on Monday 28 September 2026**.

This site has previously been considered for asylum accommodation, with a smaller proposal refused by an independent Planning Inspector before subsequently being cancelled. The current proposal is considerably larger and therefore deserves particularly careful scrutiny.

I believe the applicant has not demonstrated that this is a safe or suitable location for accommodation on this unprecedented scale.

I therefore respectfully ask that **planning permission be refused**.

If approval is nevertheless being considered, I ask that no decision is made until all outstanding matters relating to **safeguarding, drainage, flooding, wastewater, contamination, ecology, highways, pedestrian safety, power, lighting, noise and fire safety** have been fully investigated and made available for public scrutiny.

The safety and wellbeing of existing local families and children should be given proper consideration alongside the needs of those who would be accommodated at the site.

Yours faithfully,

Katy Eason
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