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Subject: Proposed change of use and development of Site A, MOD Bicester , application reference PCU/RARE/C3105/3378843

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Dear Sir/Madam,

[redacted] would like to state my objections to the change of use and development of Site A. I object primarily from a humanitarian viewpoint and have the following to say:

The housing of a large number of asylum seekers next to a village a quarter of its population is not proportionate, and I therefore object to it. The infrastructure and utilities base of Piddington is not well set up for even the 330 inhabitants and I know from personal experience that our village regularly has power cuts, water shortages/ outages and flooding. Not only that, but the absolute absence of basic infrastructure such as shops, public transport and social spaces (such as pubs, social clubs etc) makes this site a terrible choice for housing anyone, let alone highly vulnerable individuals. I'm worried that the lives of the 'service users' and the surrounding villages (Piddington, Blackthorn, Arncott) will be seriously affected by the extra demand placed on fragile services, not least because the added question of dealing with waste water hasn't yet been properly explored by the applicant. The idea of building a sewage treatment plant within 45 metres of the accommodation blocks is reprehensible and inhumane. I would ask that before any decisions are made that a full dialogue be commenced and assurances be sought, in writing, from the water and sewerage authorities, as to their capacity to deal with the extra demand from Site A.

Secondly, the lack of foresight concerning the welfare and safeguarding of the site's residents is very evident. No capacity assessments of the site appear to have been agreed, with the Police, Fire and Rescue, NHS integrated care, the County Council or the ambulance service. This also then begs the question of who will be addressing the mental health needs of a site of far from home, traumatised people, who will be housed very near to an active military training and firing range and may well be suffering the effects of PTSD? [redacted] I would ask that before any decisions are made this serious issue is researched and agreements are put in place with all the relevant bodies as a matter of urgency.

Thirdly, the condition of the site A environment is of great concern. The Home Office's Equality Impact Assessment admits that the site and rooms aren't adapted for all the accessibility needs of all service users. Add to this the potential for unexploded ordnance and asbestos contamination on site, potential flooding, proposed continuous use of noisy and noxious diesel generators and lack of sustainable fire hydrants and exits and the problems with the sustainability of the site are all too obvious. Before any decisions are made there needs to be full and accurate site surveys and accurate costings for each and every safety aspect outlined above.

For the reasons outlined above and for those raised by the members of Piddington village I urge the Secretary of State to refuse this application.

Yours sincerely,

Kate Nixon-Davingoff (Miss)

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