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Subject: Objection to planning application PCU/RARE/C3105/3378843, Site A, MOD Bicester
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Dear Secretary of State, I am writing as a member of the public to object to planning application PCU/RARE/C3105/3378843, the proposed 1,256-person asylum accommodation centre at Site A, MOD Bicester, Bicester Garrison, Launton Road, Oxfordshire, OX25 1AE. I ask that planning permission be refused. I have concerns about the completeness of the evidence submitted with the application. Important ecological and technical work remains outstanding,

and significant questions remain around fire safety, ground conditions and the suitability of the site. As a retired Firefighter in Bicester, I know all too well how many times we were called to similar premises, for example Bullingdon prison directly opersite

"A sites" Arncott, "Campsfield detention centre" in Kidlington. The calls were always a mixture of severe fires, small cell fires and many many time wasting alarm misuse I am particularly concerned that ground contamination has not been fully investigated.

Previous land-quality work identified potential contamination issues, yet no borehole investigation has been carried out to resolve those risks. As a recently used military site anything may have been stored there not known to civilians. There are also significant

flooding and drainage concerns. Parts of the site are at high risk of surface-water flooding and aspects of the drainage strategy remain unresolved. We're all becoming very aware of the multiple flash floods and the issues they cause with our changing weather.

It does appear that "Thames Water" the local supply to this area has many issues with flooding and sewage containment. The transport evidence also raises serious questions. The Transport Assessment repeatedly refers to the wrong road, while the B4011 serving

the site has limited pedestrian infrastructure and a recorded history of serious collisions. As a Firefighter I attended many of these accidents, a large number where sadly serious accidents. The application has not demonstrated a confirmed permanent solution

for essential infrastructure such as electricity and wastewater. I do not believe a development accommodating up to 1,256 people should be approved while such fundamental matters remain unresolved. The proposal is also exceptionally large for an isolated rural

location with little surrounding infrastructure, limited public transport and few services within walking distance. I still don't fully understand why the asylum centre isn't a secure site, I see the fear of ascondees must be real. I am concerned that the

extremely short representation period does not provide sufficient time for residents, councils and technical specialists to properly examine such a substantial and complicated application. The application documents run to well over 1,000 pages across multiple

technical disciplines, and it is not reasonable to expect them to be read and properly considered in so short a time. Ordinary planning applications carry a minimum 21 day period, and the standard Crown Development route prescribes 21 days at every stage,

so I ask that the representation period be extended to at least 21 days from 7 September 2026, to Monday 28 September 2026, since the 21st day falls on a Sunday. This site has also previously been considered for asylum accommodation. A smaller proposal was

refused by an independent Planning Inspector before subsequently being cancelled. Taken together, these issues mean I do not believe the applicant has demonstrated that Site A is a suitable location for a development of this scale.Can I be assured this site

is for 1256 persons, the rumour mill is saying double that number if not higher. This also concerns me, all the previous concerns for human welfare are now exasperated higher.

I therefore respectfully request that planning permission be refused. If the

Secretary of State is nevertheless minded to approve the application, I ask that no decision is made until outstanding work concerning drainage, flooding, wastewater, contamination, ecology, highways, pedestrian safety, power supply, lighting, noise, fire

safety and decommissioning has been completed and made available for proper scrutiny. Yours faithfully, Russell Hurle. [redacted]

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