From: [redacted]
To: Crown Casework
Cc: Calum Miller MP; wpwsobjection@gmail.com
Subject: Objection to planning application PCU/RARE/C3105/3378843, Site A, MOD Bicester
Date: 16 September 2026 15:24:54

Application reference: PCU/RARE/C3105/3378843

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing as a local resident living approximately [redacted] miles from the proposed MOD Bicester Site A asylum accommodation centre.

I recognise that the Government has a responsibility to provide suitable accommodation for people seeking asylum. My concern is not about asylum accommodation in principle, but whether a facility accommodating up to 1,256 people is appropriate for this particular rural location and whether the impact on surrounding communities has been sufficiently assessed.

Having reviewed the proposal, I would like the Government to consider the following concerns before making a final decision:

- **Scale and location:** Accommodating more than 1,250 people on a single rural site represents a significant change for the relatively small communities surrounding it. I do not believe the wider impact of this concentration has yet been adequately demonstrated.
- **Transport and pedestrian safety:** The area has limited public transport and pedestrian infrastructure, including roads without suitable footways or lighting. As residents will be free to leave the site, there needs to be a realistic assessment of where people will travel and how they can do so safely, rather than relying predominantly on proposed shuttle services.
- **Healthcare and public services:** Providing healthcare space on-site is not the same as having fully commissioned and funded healthcare provision. There should be clear commitments regarding GP, dental, mental-health and pharmacy services, as well as the potential impact on hospitals, ambulance services, policing and fire services.
- **Local infrastructure:** I understand that important questions remain regarding wastewater treatment, drainage, electricity capacity and other infrastructure. These should be resolved before approval rather than after the centre becomes operational.
- **Impact on surrounding communities:** The assessment should extend beyond the boundary of the site and consider the practical impact on Piddington, Upper Arncott, Ambrosden, Bicester and other nearby communities, including transport, shops, amenities, public spaces and community services.

- **Environmental and site suitability:** Given the site's former military use, concerns around contamination, asbestos and unexploded ordnance should be fully investigated. Outstanding ecological and environmental assessments should also be completed before a decision is taken.
- **Operational planning and accountability:** If this facility could operate for up to ten years, residents deserve clarity on how it will operate. This should include staffing, transport, healthcare, safeguarding, security, incident management, complaints procedures and a clear point of accountability for local communities.
- **Consultation and transparency:** I am concerned that local authorities and residents have been given insufficient opportunity to scrutinise such a significant proposal, particularly while important technical information appears to remain outstanding.

I therefore ask that the Government does not approve the proposal until the outstanding transport, infrastructure, healthcare, environmental and community-impact assessments have been completed and published, with local authorities and residents given a meaningful opportunity to consider them.

I would also welcome a clear explanation of why concentrating this number of people at MOD Bicester is considered preferable to smaller or more dispersed accommodation, particularly given the rural nature of the site.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Kind regards,

[redacted]