From: [redacted]
To: Crown Casework
Subject: Re: Planning Application PCU/RARE/C3105/3378843 - Objection
Date: 17 September 2026 20:25:29

I am writing to object to the planning application for a proposed asylum centre at MOD Bicester Site A.

Firstly, the scale of the development is not suitable for the location, given that the surrounding villages are limited in terms of both infrastructure and population. There are 304 residents in the neighbouring village of Piddington, and 1,256 people is close to the total number of residents in the surrounding area - Piddington, Upper Arncott, Lower Arncott and Blackthorn. The scale for 1,256 people is concern enough, however the site's preliminary Unexploded Ordnance Risk Assessment scopes it's work around "accommodation for 3,510 service users", which implies that the eventual scale may be even bigger. A previous proposal, for a smaller accommodation centre of 750 people, was refused in part due to the unsustainable location, risk to community cohesion and strain on local services. This re-emphasises the fact that this proposal's scale is not viable, and I object on this basis.

This connects to my second concern, which is pressure on local services & existing infrastructure, and this is not properly addressed within the application. How will the surrounding villages safely manage an increase in visitors? There are a limited number of local shops, public transport services and public open spaces that can be accessed by all, and these services do not provision for an additional 1256 people.

Given the impact on local communities, the fact that the procedure followed doesn't include a statutory requirement for public consultation, or minimum guaranteed period for representations, doesn't allow for a proper assessment of the application and its impacts, and I object on the basis that there should be a local consultation, given the proposal's impact on its neighbouring villages.

Regards,

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