

Dear Peter,

The Climate, Biodiversity & Planning Committee for Witney Town Council met yesterday and your application 23/02730/FUL – for Car Park Rear of 58 West End, Witney was on the Agenda. On behalf of the Committee please find our Consultee response below:

*Witney Town Council support the principle of redevelopment at this site. However, as raised in a previous response, Witney Town Council continue to have concerns about land, air and water contamination during any construction works as well as when homes are occupied. These concerns are for residents of the new dwellings as well as residents in the neighbouring area, to ensure a clean and safe environment for all in Witney. Members acknowledge the updated documents submitted by the applicant, including the Phase II Desk Study, however Witney Town Council are unable to support the application whilst identified issues are outstanding. Consistent and complete sampling is still to be carried out and objections from technical consultees need to be resolved.*

*Given the pollution risks the Local Planning Authority must ensure that the applicant addresses and can mitigate against all and any risk from contaminants to ensure no harm to human health, the environment or Witney waterways - Witney Town Council support brownfield development and would welcome an application that meets this scrutiny.*

*Further, Witney Town Council would like to see provision for safe access for cyclists and pedestrians with cycling and walking entry and exit points at the North and South of the site.*

Best wishes  
Claire



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