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Date: 6th March 2024
Our ref: 23/00047/APPEAL
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Dear Sir/Madam

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPEAL UNDER SECTION 78 Notification of Planning Appeal

Site Address: Land South East Of Oxford Hill Witney

Description of Development: Outline planning application (with all matters reserved except access) for the erection of up to 450 dwellings together with associated open space and green infrastructure (Amended).

Original Application Number: 20/02654/OUT

Appellant's name: The Mawle Trustees And Trustees Of Northfield Life Interest

Appeal Reference: APP/D3125/W/23/3333790

Appeal Start Date: 29.02.2024

I refer to the above details. An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the decision of West Oxfordshire District Council to refuse planning permission for the development described. The appeal will be determined on the basis of an **inquiry**. The procedure to be followed is set out in the Town and Country Planning Appeals (Determination by Inspectors) (Inquiry Procedure) (England) Rules 2000, as amended. I will write again to inform you of the inquiry details as soon as they are available.

For any group or organisation who wish to take an active part in the Inquiry, the opportunity is available to apply for what is known as Rule 6 status. Although unusual, there is also scope for interested individuals to take part on the same basis. Rule 6 status means that you would be able to present your evidence on a formal basis and cross examine the evidence of others. You can find guidance at the following link:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/apply-for-rule-6-status-on-a-planning-appeal-or-called-in-application

Arrangements for the Inquiry are currently being finalised by the Planning Inspectorate. These will include a pre-Inquiry conference call with the lead parties to deal with procedural and administrative matters, including how the evidence will be heard. As a Rule 6 party, it is anticipated that you would also be a part of that process. If, having read the above guidance, you wish to apply for Rule 6 status and/or have any related questions, you should contact the Planning Inspectorate immediately. If you are interested but are unable to access the guidance electronically, again, you should contact the Planning Inspectorate who will try and assist.

If, having read the above guidance, you wish to apply for Rule 6 status it is essential that you contact the Planning Inspectorate immediately.

We have forwarded all the representations made to us on the original planning application to the Planning Inspectorate and to the Appellant. These will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal, unless they are subsequently withdrawn.

If you wish to make comments, or modify/withdraw your previous representation, you can do so online at: https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk. If you do not have access to the internet, you can send your comments to the following address quoting reference number APP/D3125/W/23/3333790:

In writing (please send 5 copies): The Planning Inspectorate

Temple Quay House 2 The Square Bristol, BSI 6PN

All representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by 4th April 2024. Any representations submitted after the deadline will not usually be considered and will be returned. The Planning Inspectorate does not acknowledge representations. All representations must quote the appeal reference.

Please note that any representations you submit to the Planning Inspectorate will be copied to the appellant and this local planning authority and will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

If you wish to follow the appeal you can do so via https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/ by searching under the appeal reference APP/D3125/W/23/3333790. You can also view the appeal documents on the Council's website at www.westoxon.gov.uk/planning-and-building/

You can get a copy of one of the Planning Inspectorate's "Guide to taking part in planning appeals" booklets free of charge from GOV.UK at www.gov.uk/government/collections/taking-part-in-a-planning-listed-building-or-enforcement-appeal.

When made, the decision will be published online at https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk

Yours faithfully

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