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Sent: 02 February 2020 12:44
To: Neighbourhood Planning
Subject: Feedback: Great and Little Kimble cum March Neighbourhood Plan

Dear Sir / Madam,

Hereby, I would like to provide my feedback on the plan for Great and Little Kimble.

1. Infrastructure

The plan's proposal is effectively doubling the village's size, which in my view will create significant logistical and ecological issues.

For example, we live on Church Lane and at rush hour, it is very difficult to pull out onto the A4010 due to the amount of traffic traveling towards Risborough and the 50 mph speed limit. Adding site 14 next to the Swan (pub), will create more traffic that will travel through Bridge Street / Church Lane amplifying the problem and blocking traffic near Great Kimble Church. The narrow lane does not support two large cars passing, hence this will create issues. Moreover, I am concerned for the safety of school children as very few people observe the 30 speed limit (down hill).

I understand the B4009 is going to be improved to act as a relief road. I would like to understand how traffic will be diverted when the underpass at the Little Kimble rail bridge is going to be widened, and the duration of this project. Recently, there were roadworks near Longwick, which caused bad traffic jams. Please note that Bridge Street / Church lane is not suitable to handle the traffic of the B4009.

Whilst the rail connection from Little Kimble has plenty capacity, the plan doesn't seem to acknowledge that this is a slow train and that most commuters travel by car to Princes Risborough to catch the fast train to London. At rush hour, these trains are already at full seating capacity and will create significant issues down the line (especially Wycombe and Beaconsfield). Have Chiltern Rail been engaged to cope with the increase of Wycombe council areas? Moreover, it mentions closure of the Little Kimble line due to HS2, which will certainly cause additional load issues on the Risborough line.

In section 6.5, it is stated that there could be traffic calming measures for Bridge Street / Church Lane, however it does not provide any further detail. Can you please provide this? In context to the above, I think it is critical that this information is provided.

2. Ecological

Given that the A4010 goes through the Chiltern AONB, there is a significant impact to wildlife, which is not mentioned in the report. This winter I've seen a high number of roadkills (e.g. numerous badgers, deer, rodents and birds). The deer do travel into the fields on our side of the A4010, risking their lives on a daily basis. The increased traffic will risk further lives and I am disappointed to see no reference to this, and no plan to action.

Furthermore, cars create waste. For example, emissions don't seem to be taken into account (e.g. what can the Council do to offset - e.g. a mandatory quota for planting a significant volume of new trees in for instance the Landscape Buffer - KIM5). Additionally, drivers tend to throw their rubbish out of their car windows (e.g. A4010 and therefore into the AONB). Our community spends at least twice a year collecting this and cleaning up after people. Unfortunately a reality that is not recognised nor are any measures provided.

I look forward to your feedback,

Thank you,

Kind regards,

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