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**Ref:** Planning Application No. 20/009316/FUL  
**Location:** Land to the rear of George Public House  
Littlemore, Oxford OX4

Dear Sir/Madam,

As residents of 6 & 8 Lanham Way, we write concerning the above Planning Application as we live in very close proximity to the proposed development.

### **REQUEST**

Please may we request that:

1. The following comments to be taken into account in the decision making process.
2. That one of our Local Councillors call this in to the Planning Committee (Oxford East) for consideration before the final decision is made.

### **PROBLEM**

The reason for our serious and relevant concerns are:

1. Nos. 3 & 5 Lanham Way share a septic tank
2. The houses are not on **Mains Drainage**.

Originally, the bungalow, No. 3 Lanham Way [REDACTED] had a septic tank suitable for the use of **2 persons** in one household.

[REDACTED] The new owner converted the garage & utility room into another property: No. 5 Lanham Way.

The fact that garage & utility room were subject to subsidence & collapsed was ignored.

Additionally, a trench was dug on Lanham Way as a means of transporting sewage but the Council had made no investigation as to where the sewage from No. 5 would be transported to and how this would affect the residents of Lanham Way.

## RESULTS

1. The septic tank once created for 2 people is now shared by 6 residents:
  - 2 people at No. 3
  - 4 people at No. 5.
2. The septic tank used to require emptying twice a year, but is now emptied **every month**.
3. When the tank is emptied: a vile stench is experienced. This is:
  - a) not in the interest of Public Health
  - b) a nuisance
  - c) makes the neighbours feel ill
  - d) injurious to Environmental Health. Spillage often occurs, and this lingers on Lanham Way, particularly in inclement weather as the road surface does not allow proper drainage. The toxic waste sinks into holes and earth where it then dries out.

We request that you visit the site to understand our distress and that of potential residents.

The septic tank is just over the fence from the proposed site and this would be not just unpleasant, but detrimental to the health of the potential residents of the proposed dwellings.

## CONCLUSION

In conclusion, we believe that a condition of Planning permission should take account of this **Nuisance** in law, by connecting this sewage system to the ensuing MAINS DRAINAGE of the proposed development in close proximity to this Nuisance.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you,

Yours faithfully,

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