

Comments for Planning Application 22/01199/FUL

Application Summary

Application Number: 22/01199/FUL

Address: Scrap Haulage Yard Gilder Fosseyway Lower Slaughter Gloucestershire GL54 2EY

Proposal: Removal of condition 24 (use of parking spaces) re permission 18/01681/FUL -

Redevelopment of existing scrap yard and haulage depot to create Electric Car Charging Service Station and Associated Works

Case Officer: Andrew Moody

Customer Details

Name: Mr Philip Battersby

Address: Sheepcote Lower Slaughter Cheltenham GL54 2HY

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Email of Objection

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Highway access and parking
- Impact on Conservation Area
- Loss of general amenity
- Other
- Over development

Comment: Over the course of the various applications for this site, the scheme has evolved significantly.

Initially it was for a single purpose (if very large) recharging facility for passing motorists, with a small "motorway style" service area attached.

As this has evolved, it would seem to suggest that either the initial business case had not been robustly developed, or was simply disingenuous.

Many objectors had suggested that this may simply be a route to create a "park and ride" facility in this part of the Cotswolds, possibly with on-site retail outlets.

The recent application to build an hotel (refused) would appear to support that.

As does this application to remove restrictions on the use of the parking facility - so this would no longer be a facility for passing motorists, but a destination for them.

As such it would :

1. Generate additional and unpredictable traffic on the busy A429.
2. Create dangerous increases in pedestrians and cyclists using the narrow local lanes leading off the A429.
3. Generate significant visual, light and noise pollution in this sensitive rural area.
4. Cause large increases in visitor numbers to nearby small villages like lower and Upper Slaughter, Wyck Rissington and Bourton on the Water - which all sometimes struggle to cope with

existing visitor numbers.

5. Potentially damage the existing general and catering businesses in those nearby villages.

6. As the original aim is being scaled down, this development can no longer be justified at this location. There are development sites in Bourton on the Water which are more appropriately sited, and better serviced, for a park and ride facility/car park.

This is an inappropriate overdevelopment in this sensitive part of an AONB

It must be refused