

PLANNING REF : 252782
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 15 Heron Drive
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SUBMITTED BY : Ms Marion Jones
DATE SUBMITTED : 28/11/2025

COMMENTS:

I object to this planning application on the following reasons:

Environment:

The application for a fuel oil storage area is in the middle of a known flood area and is next to the Berks, Bucks and Oxon Loddon Nature Reserve and opposite the road to Charvil meadows. According to the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife trust The Loddon Nature Reserve's lake and surrounding areas provide habitats for a variety of birds and insects. I feel this planning application will have a negative impact on the local flora and fauna due to light pollution (the long operating hours), noise disturbance and also the potential negative consequences to the river Loddon should there be any oil spillage.

Traffic and safety

There will be a substantial increase in HGVs using the site on the A3032. I feel strongly that the "full visibility splays" standard should not be relaxed. The site is very near a bend and as such more HGVs would increase the risk of accidents, especially if sight lines are compromised. The proposed route from the site is to travel west along the Old Bath Road (A3032) to join the A4. This route takes the HGVs around a double bend towards Charvil. The road then goes through a predominately residential area of Charvil with a speed limit of 30mph. The HGVs will then have to negotiate a mini roundabout before joining the A4. (With the reverse journey to the site)

I believe this will cause congestion, especially as quite a number of HGVs will be leaving the site at peak hours. There is also the noise and air pollution for those living along the route. With a possible increase in HGVs I'm also very concerned for the pollution effects and safety of pedestrians and cyclists that use this road.

This is a substantial change of use from the car maintenance/garage that was there previously. I feel the the application should be rejected due to the environmental, traffic and safety issues that I have raised.