

Q1.13.1 I am responding as an interested party for further information

I am an interested party and a General Practitioner at Waddesdon Surgery. I have worked in the area for over 15 years and serve the patient population of Quainton, Grendon Underwood, Kingswood, Waddesdon, Hogshaw and the farms and population between The A41 to the proposed site, including residential properties and farms along Snake Lane and the roads leading to Botolph Claydon.

Waddesdon Surgery is part of the wider North Bucks Primary Care Network that also includes 3W Health GP practice. My concern is regarding the applicants Health and Wellbeing Summary Report. REPI-056 is inaccurate, and not in enough depth when understanding this unique patient population. The report is using data that is not appropriate for this specific rural area and health populations.

Our patients within the above areas are covered by the West Bucks Community Ward (Quainton, Hogshaw). Other patients at 3W Health within The Claydons and Winslow are covered under the North Bucks Community Ward.

The data from wards in 2.5.10: Quoted as local wards including Great Brickhill is not representative of this area.

Table 2 and all further information when comparing residents and health data in the area is not accurate and misleading.

The data quoted is obtained directly from Waddesdon Surgery practice level demographics and also a review of inequalities in health at Primary Care Network level.

I believe the two most relevant factors are the population within this area has a higher than average rurality index and secondly the age structure is older than the UK average:

In the Health Effects Report document; 2.6.2- The applicant quotes that higher sensitivity to health effects and to environmental change include cohorts of :

- Older people

-people with access and geographical factors

This is directly the population within the proposed area. From a health needs perspective it means:

-Higher frailty and multiple co-morbidities needing a larger demand for long term health condition management.

-Higher unmet needs due to access barriers from rurality and location.

-Higher than usual reliance on primary care for mental health support due to limitations on services and ability to travel.

I am concerned particularly for our housebound population such as frail patients unable to attend the surgery, patients within the proposed area who have severe mobility limitations and those patients needing domiciliary community interventions (often multiple times a day) and those patients receiving home based end of life care.

These cohorts of housebound patients are to be higher in rural practices compared with urban areas due to poor transport links and poor public transport networks.

I am concerned regarding the detrimental impact of traffic, HGVs and disruption to health transport routes within the building phase. Also the longer term impact of urbanisation of the area and loss of rural areas for patients to maintain wellbeing and mental health. I am concerned for detrimental impact of this proposed site on emergency and daily community care provision for health and social care. Also direct impact on patients needing to travel and access community pharmacies and medication collection points (Quainton) and reliance of communities being able to transport vulnerable residents to healthcare services.

I would be grateful if the inspectorate would consider a comprehensive Health Impact Assessment with accurate specific demographics of this population in a rural community. The risks to population wellbeing and healthcare provision are different for this cohort of patients and services, compared with a development in an urban or semi urban area, so I believe should be assessed in greater detail. Please also consider specifically addressing the impact to residents along the main transports routes to the site and emergency vehicle access routes, access to GP surgeries, important health hubs, medication collection points and a guarantee that all local healthcare providers will be consulted.

Yours faithfully

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