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To whom it may concern,

Thank you for consulting the Forestry Commission on this application. As a Government department we can neither support or object to applications . Our key concern is the impact on the Ancient Woodland Broughton Woo. The design of this proposal for outline planning appears to include the essential buffer between the development and the wood, retaining the large trees at that side of the development adds to this buffer.

It will be up to the Local Authority to determine if there are any impacts on the Ancient Woodland using the Standing Advice as a guide <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ancient-woodland-and-veteran-trees-protection-surveys-licences">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ancient-woodland-and-veteran-trees-protection-surveys-licences</a> this advice is a Material Consideration, also being aware that NPPF para 175 provides strong protection for Ancient Woodland as an irreplaceable habitat.

No trees may be felled without a Felling Licence prior to full planning permission being given.

Yours sincerely,

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