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Subject: [EXTERNAL] 21/01600/OUT Outline planning application for the construction of a new Category B prison
Importance: High

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Dear Sir,

Re: 21/01600/OUT Outline planning application (All Matters Reserved except for means of access and scale) for the construction of a new Category B prison of up to 82,555sqm within a secure perimeter fence, together with access, parking, landscaping and associated engineering works | Land Adj HM Prison Welland Avenue Gartree Lubenham Leicestershire

East Farndon Parish Council has not been formally invited to comment on these proposals; however we feel that this major development will impact negatively on our village as follows:

Landscape - for anyone walking along the northwestern side of East Farndon, the visible impact of the existing Prison is clear to see, both during the summer and winter months. By trebling the size of the Prison facility at Gartree, there will be significant changes to the rural landscape and local scene.

Traffic - although the majority of the construction and visitor traffic is likely to come in and out of the facility via Lubenham, there will be additional volumes of vehicle movements across the area. The narrow Main Street of East Farndon, and the narrow lane from Lubenham to East Farndon could become even more of a busy short cut, with other traffic related to the A14 travelling via Main Street. In particular, should this development proceed, East Farndon Parish Council wants to ensure that the Construction Routing Plan does not allow for HGVs or similar to be able to use the lane from East Farndon to Lubenham, which is marked as unsuitable for HGVs, or Main Street. HDC's failure to place such restrictions with reference to the Farndon Fields development currently means HGVs are using the East Farndon to Lubenham road (causing damage to the road), despite NCC (as was) raising objections at the time.

We hope that you will seriously consider our concerns when assessing this planning application, and please add us to your consultation list for any further applications.

Caroline Burton
Clerk to East Farndon Parish Council