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I object to the planning application on the grounds that safe access has not been provided for those arriving on foot. The Transport Statement Section 4 Accessibility Walking and Cycling states there is an informal path which enables access to the site from the paths and bus stops across the motorway. This path has a small section which is paved at the top but the omission from the report is that this is blocked by an armco barrier which protects the motorway embankment. The path beyond this is just a muddy area to the side of the road which is used to avoid traffic entering/exiting the Holiday Inn / Nuffield site. This path is dangerously muddy in winter and prone to flooding in places in winter. It is also unlit so for at least six months of the year access will be in the dark. Wheelchair users would be forced to use the public carriageway on both the Turners Hill Road and private driveway. The proposed Padel centre should be accessible to all, not just those who have vehicles. I would suggest the committee attend on a dark winter's evening and see if they consider access to the site either on foot or wheelchair is safe.

Regards

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