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Dear Bob

APPLICATION NO: 20/00892/OUT

DESCRIPTION: The erection of up to 35 dwellings (Class C3), vehicular access from Clarendon Road and Whitmore Road, public open space and associated landscaping and engineering works.

LOCATION: Land Off Kyderminster Road, Winchcombe

Thank you for consulting the Cotswolds Conservation Board ('the Board') on this proposed development, which would be located within the Cotswolds National Landscape.¹

At this time, the Board is not able to provide a substantive response to this consultation. This does not mean that the Board has taken the view that the proposed development would not have an adverse impact on the National Landscape.

In reaching its planning decision, the local planning authority (LPA) has a statutory duty to have regard to the purpose of conserving and enhancing the natural beauty of the National Landscape.² The Board recommends that, in fulfilling this 'duty of regard', the LPA should: (i) ensure that planning decisions are consistent with relevant national and local planning policy and guidance; and (ii) give explicit consideration to the following Board publications:

- Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Management Plan 2018-2023 ([link](#));
- Cotswolds AONB Landscape Character Assessment ([link](#)), in particular, in this instance, for Landscape Character Types (LCT) 1 (Escarpment Outlier), 19 (Unwooded Vale) and 2 (Escarpment);
- Cotswolds AONB Landscape Strategy and Guidelines ([link](#)), in particular, in this instance, for LCT 1 ([link](#)), 19 ([link](#)) and 2 ([link](#)), including Sections 1.1, 19.1 and 2.1 respectively;
- Cotswolds AONB Local Distinctiveness and Landscape Change ([link](#));
- Cotswolds Conservation Board Position Statements ([link](#)).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'John Mills'.

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The Cotswolds National Landscape is a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), managed and looked after by the Cotswolds Conservation Board.

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NOTES:

- 1) Cotswolds National Landscape is the new name for the Cotswolds Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). The new name takes forward one of the proposals of the Government-commissioned 'Landscapes Review' to rename AONBs as 'National Landscapes'. This change reflects the national importance of AONBs and the fact that they are safeguarded, in the national interest, for nature, people, business and culture.
- 2) Section 85 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000. ([Link](#)).