Response from Carol Colclough to Parish Council Objections

Objection: Members of the Parish Council recall that planning has previously been applied for permission for commercial use of premises (no planning ref quoted) and that it was rejected.

Response: Planning for commercial use of the premises has never been applied for by myself or my agent, in the history of my connection with Manor Barn or anywhere in South Hinksey. This is factually incorrect information, which assumes an authority that does not exist. Therefore, there was never a rejection of any planning. The planning I did apply for, P14/V1176/FUL was passed on 1st August 2014 and I have never to this date been refused planning.

Objection: The planning authority refused permission last time on the following grounds:

- -An overuse of the site
- -A traffic hazard due to the road situation.

Response: Again, completely factually incorrect information, as there was never any planning of the type referred to above applied for. However, in response to the two items listed, I have been running my practice for two and a half years with no issues. There is ample room on the site for several cars with the ability for them to turn around and drive out into St Lawrence Road in a forward gear. As I retire, the number of cars (which are very few) will decrease and my daughter's practice may incur a small increase. In reality her practice is only likely to replace my practice. Therefore, I doubt there will be any increase in traffic above what already occurs.

In contrast, I do not recall objections from the Parish Council, to the prospect of large numbers of cars visiting The General Elliot, when planning was applied for in 2014 for eight plus letting rooms and a restaurant.

Objection: Given the evidence of the website https://fiveleafacupunture.co.uk has planning already been breached regarding no planning in place for business use. The Parish Council expects planning enforcement action to be taken, if this is the case.

Response: My daughter has seen three to four people per month, on average, during the past two years. I believe this is well within the allowance for working from home.

The Parish council's request for planning enforcement action, would seem to be quite punitive in this instance.