

PLANNING REF : 241567
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 7 Wimbushes
: Wokingham, Berks
: RG40 4XG
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Mary Ferry
DATE SUBMITTED : 29/07/2024

COMMENTS:

I object to this development on a number of counts:

1) the Blackwater(just south of the site) is already subject to sewage outpourings and adding the effluent of up to 160 more people and their daily ablutions implies the Blackwater will be subject to human soil spillage daily, since the waste water management is already failing. The damage to nature will be significant and irreversible for many tens of years into the future

2) this site is rural but by adding this mini-estate - adding street lighting and traffic volumes will effectively extending the settlement boundary without overall agreement nor compliance with the Finchampstead Neighbourhood Development Plan, which is unacceptable 3) extending the settlement boundary in this way (as bullet 2 above) will significantly impact the nature reserve and protected species therein. A badger set will be disturbed in the immediate vicinity, bats and owls will vanish due to light pollution and human

interference, the new human residents will try and purge the area of small mammals by use of poisons etc., causing significant knock-on damage to the reserve. An area of land which acts as a buffer between the reserve (and its protected species) and the current settlement, which the proposed plot is, is essential for the continuing health of the reserve.

4) My mental wellbeing and health will be damaged due to the enclosing of open walkways/path between 2 high fences, which is a very

claustrophobic solution when the current open space provides the best solution for both humans and nature.

5) The documents imply that there are shops in the village, there is a expensive speciality grocers at the pub but the only way to feed a

balance diet to those in affordable housing will be to travel to Wokingham; Crowthorne; Sandhurst or Yateley - and with no bus service, this will need to be on foot or by car. With no medical facilities available (they are all full) and no senior school places available within walking and no safe cycle ways, this site is unsustainable on all fronts.

6) The density of housing and the height of each dwelling will impose a significant impact (dominate) on the adjacent houses which are all at low level, blending in with the countryside and with long front and rear gardens, a long way from the road, enhancing the rural

environment, this proposed development will change the character of the area completely, which is out of keeping with the intent in the Finchampstead Neighbourhood Development plan.

Please reject this development, it is completely unacceptable in this location.