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Development Control
Wokingham Borough Council

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Dear Sir/Madam

APPLICATION 241900

I continue to **object** to the development of this area for high density flats.

All of the points made in my objections to previous applications at the location remain, in relation to **lack of local amenities**; shops, GPs, dentists, schools remain. The Old Bath Road here is routinely full of parked cars because of Care Home, still known as “Sunrise” locally and/or because of rugby-associated vehicles.

It is conspicuous that the mystery applicant has come back to reduce their contribution to local infrastructure and now undermine the conditions associated with the original “retirement home” permission, quietly seeking to remove that restriction. The original applicant was ‘Arlington Retirement Lifestyles’ 220663 – a business with no internet presence nor Companies House record. We now see ‘Freemont Homes Ltd’ associated with 241900:

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

First name

Surname

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

Address line 2

Address line 3

A search at Companies House for this company shows that it was dissolved 2 years ago:

FREEMONT HOMES LTD

Company number **13304750**

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Registered office address

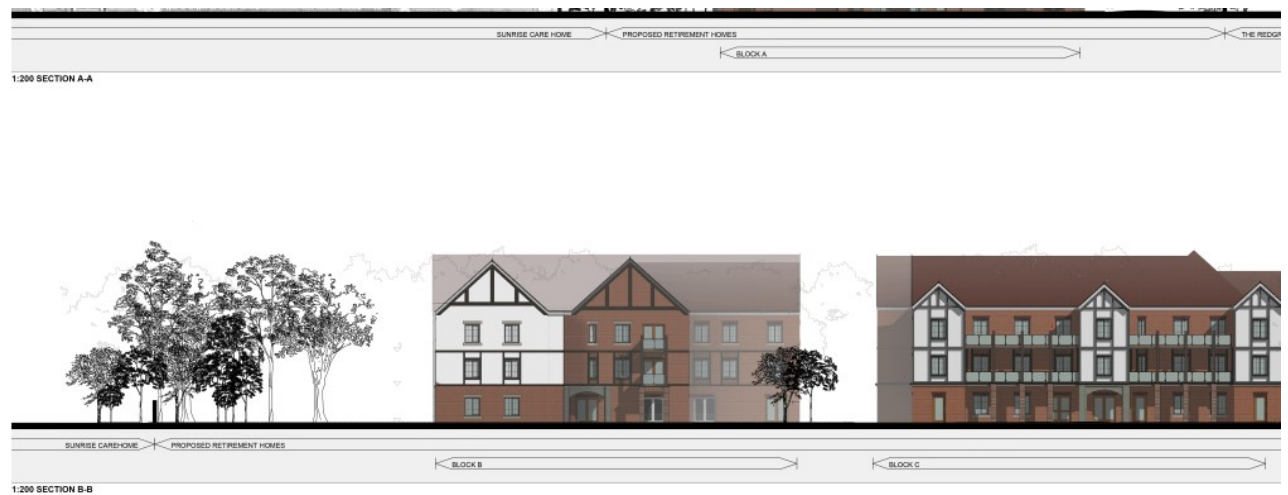
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which leaves one wondering who is really behind this proposed unwelcome high density development.

The latest plans also remain **misleading** as regards those of us living nearby. The application plan suggests tall mature trees in the area ringed in red, which is just not the case.



The cross-section views in the application suggest trees taller than the proposed 3 storey + roof scheme with balconies looking into our garden.



Red Lodge has a laurel hedge less than half that height. We have planted trees, at considerable expense, in an attempt to provide some screening from the **overlooking** inevitably associated with a scheme of this bulk/height, but these are nowhere near the height of the fictional ones shown in the drawings.

Yours sincerely

Paul Etherington