

PLANNING REF : 251705
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Strathmore Drive
: Charvil, Berkshire
: RG10 9QT
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs T Cloke
DATE SUBMITTED : 05/12/2025

COMMENTS:

I want to object to planning application 252782 proposed fuel storage site for the following reasons:

Environmental risks

High pollution risk as diesel, kerosene stored close proximity to River Loddon, Charvil country park and lakes, river Thames downstream and local groundwater. The local rivers are under enough stress at present without adding to the problem.

If a spillage occurred during flooding, the fuel would spread and containment would be impossible causing long term and potentially irreversible ecological damage.

The area around the site floods regularly (most recently in Jan 2025).

I believe this is the wrong location for this type of location, so close to the nature reserve, and >1000 homes.

HGV impact

Introducing c130 vehicle movements per week causing increased pollution on road that has a narrow bend 40mph limit with poor visibility and this road is not designed to take such heavy vehicles increasing risk of collisions.

HGVs turning and waiting in Old Bath Road already pose congestion and safety issues which will be exacerbated further.

Operation hours unacceptable from 5am to 6pm 7 days a week with tankers allowed outside these times on an already busy road.

The narrow path used by pedestrians/cycles - vehicles present a safety risk. School children cross this road to get to the local primary school.

Increased traffic will impact residents turning right of local roads towards the A4 as there have been numerous accidents at the mini roundabout between Old Bath Road and Park Lane.

Noise, pollution risks to residents who live in Charvil village.

This will harm residents enjoyment of local amenities and green spaces especially at weekends.

Road Safety

Old Bath Road is the main pedestrian and cycle route to Twyford and Twyford station and primary/secondary Piggott schools.

The applicant has already operated on this site in Dec 24 without a licence in contravention of policy laws.

This proposal poses unacceptable environmental risks, public health and safety risks, and highway safety risks to a residential village and local parks/rivers/lakes.

I respectfully ask for planning application 252782 is refused.