

PLANNING REF : 241567
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 7 Woodmoor
: 7 Woodmoor Finchampstead, Wokingham, Berkshire
: RG40 3TT
SUBMITTED BY : Mr Peter Birtles
DATE SUBMITTED : 13/07/2024

COMMENTS:

I object to the proposed planning application number 241567 for 40 new houses off Longwater Road Finchampstead for the following main reasons;

The field lies adjacent to the new nature reserve created after many years of disruption to the local area and in particular to native flora, fauna and wildlife due to gravel and sand extraction. The field offers diversity of habitat along the Blackwater valley. It is home to a variety of protected species including snakes and bats.

Bats

especially will be affected by any plans for street lighting in what looks like a very dense development .

Longwater road is totally unsuitable with the added traffic burden on an already overused road. Parking will inevitably spill out of the

proposed estate and negatively affect the quality of life to people in the village.

There is no fully accessible footpath out of the village to the local amenities around California Crossroads.

There is no bus service or indeed any public transport that services the village.

Does the site comply with the WBC Local Plan and associated policies? The plan is not considered in the Finchampstead

Neighbourhood

Development Plan as far as I can see.

The area is currently recovering beautifully from the many years of gravel extraction. Any set back to this would be unforgivable.