

PLANNING REF : 251055
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 43 Kestrel Way
: Wokingham, Berkshire
: RG41 3HA
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Kelly Story
DATE SUBMITTED : 26/05/2025

COMMENTS:

My husband and I have lived at 43 Kestrel way directly next to 45 Kestrel way for 23 years. In this time we have enjoyed living in a peaceful home with sun in our garden and sunlight in our house. Our house is open planned benefiting from natural light in our living area from our landing window. If the planning for 45 Kestrel way were to go ahead, this would massively impact our quality of life, health and wellbeing.

I strongly object to the proposed planning application for 45 Kestrel Way, please see my reasons of concerns below.

1. Our now sunny, light Home and garden will be in shadow.
2. We have invested a lot of money into installing solar panels, their daily production has enabled us to lower our bills, become self-sufficient and environmentally friendly. Installing them has also encouraged others to do the same - With the proposed plans they will mostly be in shadow, our bills will go up dramatically. What encouragement does this give others who maybe considering Solar panels in future knowing that the council could make them redundant in future.
3. 45 Kestrel way had already been extended to make it a 5 bedroom property. Previous owners had made internal changes to convert 5th bedroom into a walk in wardrobe adjacent to the master - this could be converted back easily returning it back to its already extended floorplan.
4. The parking is already a concern, with regular over hanging vehicles and road parking, overhanging and unkept shrubbery, already congested making it less accessible for emergency services, refuse collection and local residents.
5. The raising of the roof, Dormer, rendering and cladding is not in keeping with the 3/4 bedroom houses in Kestrel Way or surrounding area and massively towering over many properties in Walnut Close and Kestrel Way, effecting privacy and the right to light to residents that have lived in their homes for 20 plus years. The 2 ensuite bedrooms are more like self contained rooms rather than a family home, I have concerns for this property becoming a HMO, they already have a many different visitors.
6. This is a massively over developed application, no thought has been considered to the impact on neighbours right to light, privacy, health and wellbeing , its disrespectful and resembles more of a Hotel/HMO than a Family Home.