

PLANNING REF : 250543
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Woodward Close
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SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Sarah Raza
DATE SUBMITTED : 25/03/2025

COMMENTS:

I strongly support the proposal to establish a mosque/community centre in Winnersh, as I believe this will positively contribute to the community spirit, promoting understanding, inclusivity, and shared social values.

As a mum of two children, I want to shed some light on the importance and value of having a mosque in our local area. A mosque serves as more than just a place of worship; it functions as a vital community centre that plays a central role in fostering social cohesion, promoting educational development, and strengthening community bonds. For children, a mosque provides an invaluable space for both spiritual and personal growth. It offers them a safe, nurturing environment where they can learn about their faith, engage in constructive social interactions, and develop a strong sense of belonging.

Additionally, mosques often host extracurricular activities like sports, arts, and community service projects, all of which contribute to the holistic development of young people. In this way, I hope it will play a pivotal role in shaping our children into compassionate and well-rounded individuals.

I believe some of the counter arguments like traffic, congestion and parking issues can easily be mitigated by car pools and park and ride service, especially for the Friday prayer, but the positive impact of having a mosque in our local area will certainly outweigh them. Thank you for your consideration.