

PLANNING REF : 260353
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Long Barn
: Hogmoor Lane, Hurst, Reading, Uk, Berkshire
: RG10 0DH
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Diana King
DATE SUBMITTED : 22/02/2026

COMMENTS:

I should like to object to the Permission in Principle Application for this site.

An Appeal for Planning Permission has already been refused, in October 2025, for the part of the site bordering Broadwater Lane. Another Appeal in 1999 for the part of the site along Hogmoor Lane was also refused. The same reasons still apply. Building in either of these areas would harm the setting of several Grade 11 buildings and also harm the area of Special Character. Once this has happened these areas are gone forever.

Both parts of this site are farm land in open countryside and outside of Hurst's settlement boundary. The part of the site which borders Hogmoor Lane is already on land that is higher than that of the lane. Building houses along there would completely dominate the rest of the buildings in this area. There is a particularly wide and deep ditch along the Hogmoor Lane site which testifies to the ancient, as well as current, flood risk in this area. Hogmoor Lane has access to footpaths and a bridle way and is used by many people from other areas, as well as Hurst, as a local walking, dog walking and riding area. It is known as a beautiful and peaceful lane to use for walking and riding, despite not have any footpaths. Most of the other lanes without footpaths are too dangerous for walking. There are beautiful views across the fields, from the road, which would be lost if the field were built upon. Hurst has a poor bus service and no doctors or dentists are available without a car or bus ride. There is only one small village primary school and older children mostly have to travel to school by car, since cycling would be along the busy A321 which becomes more dangerous by the day. People from distant areas are now driving to Twyford station because of the popularity of the Elizabeth Line. The car park at Twyford station is too small to take all the cars so parking has now become necessary along the A321 making it even more dangerous for cycling, especially for children. I urge you to refuse this application for the reasons stated above.