

PLANNING REF : 262061
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Willow
: 5 Bearwood Road, Barkham, Berkshire
: RG41 4TB
SUBMITTED BY : Mr Tim Bailey
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COMMENTS:

I strongly object to adding even more houses to this area, especially almost 300 more.

The infrastucture cannot cope at all with the additional traffic & support needed for the existing Arborfield development, as is evidenced by our road being close d for 6 months and Barkham Road about to be closed for an additional ten months, to support increased mains water needed for Arborfield (which should not have been needed based on the original planning application). What else will need digging up and upgrading to support yet another 300 homes?

The traffic impacts in the planning documents are based on 2024 traffic which is VERY out of date given traffic has increased very significantly since then due to the ongoing development in the area. The road network simply cannot cope as it is today, let alone adding to the problem with this and other planning applications for multiple houses. There is constant need to repair roads and there have been roads closed somewhere in the borough every single day for the last two years. I recently was unable to make simple local journeys due to a number of road closures and the surrounding areas grinding to a halt. We have experienced gridlock in the area several times recently and I have had to make diversions in excess of 5 miles reguluarly. I dread to think of the environmental impact of all these roadworks, many of which often have no-one working there at all.

Services provided to residents of Wokingham continue to diminish while the costs for same increase very significantly and this proposal will only make things worse.

This borough simply cannot cope with more large developments. Enough is enough.