

PLANNING REF : 250655
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Cherry Tree House
: Wick Hill Lane, Finchampstead, Berks
: RG40 3QG
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Sally Dowdle
DATE SUBMITTED : 09/04/2025

COMMENTS:

I strongly object to this development. Further to my previous objection I would like to reiterate that building this number of houses will most likely impact drainage and potential flooding in the area. These houses will be further up the hill to us and I am not convinced that the suggested soakaways will do anything more than help those in the new properties. The water has to go somewhere and that will be downhill towards us as the ground will be full of foundations making it impossible for rainwater to be absorbed. As the council are already aware we have an ongoing problem in Wick Hill Lane already which has got worse in the past few years and this is likely to cause even greater problems. As I stated before, if this is approved, I will hold the approver and the developer personally responsible should our properties flood in the future due to this development.

In addition it will require the removal of many trees in a woodland area and these trees help to take up rainwater and this will no longer be the case. We seem determined to destroy natural areas in this area with no regard for the wildlife, plants and trees that are there.

This development is not in keeping with this area and 26 houses and it seems that it is more about maximising profit rather than creating something that is in harmony with what is there already. It will

generate a huge increase on traffic trying to access NMR which is already a busy road at peak times. In addition there will be an increased demand on the infrastructure in the area like the Drs surgery which already can barely cope with the current population in the village.