

PLANNING REF : 250733
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Hilltop
: Church Road, Farley Hill
: RG7 1UH
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COMMENTS:

I strongly object to this planning proposal. Arborfield has already absorbed around 3,500 new houses. There is also the huge, proposed development at Hall Farm which includes 3,900 new houses to consider. Plus there is already an application to build 50 new houses, in fields over the road from Duck Nest, on land off Langley Common Road (Application No 232490).

This particular proposed development at Duck Nest feels like a step too far. It breaches the natural boundary of the A327, where new build has up till now been restricted to the East of the Eversley Road.

Allowing new build to the West would set a dangerous precedence for future house building and threaten the open countryside that has so far been protected on that side.

The footbridge over Observer Way, which links Farley Hill to Arborfield Cross, joins up the countryside and provides access to local amenities. This important route, with its elevated track, provides some fantastic views and is a great vantage point for enjoying local wildlife. This proposed development would devastate the views, looking South-East from the ridge, and greatly damage the wildlife environment.