

PLANNING REF : 250517
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 8 Bryant Crescent
: Reading, Berkshire
: RG7 1FG
SUBMITTED BY : Mr Anthony Allen
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COMMENTS:

I am writing to strongly object to the proposed development of 420 dwellings directly opposite my home. This development is entirely inappropriate for the area and will have severe negative consequences for existing residents and the local environment.

1. Unsustainable Pressure on Local Infrastructure

The local area simply does not have the infrastructure to support an additional 400 homes. The roads are already congested, particularly during rush hour, and this development will bring hundreds of extra vehicles, worsening traffic and increasing accident risks. Public transport is limited, and there are no concrete plans to improve it.

Healthcare services are already overstretched. GP surgeries struggle to accommodate current residents, and waiting times at local hospitals continue to grow. The lack of additional medical facilities will make this situation even worse.

2. Environmental and Flooding Concerns

This development would destroy valuable green space that supports local wildlife, including bats, birds, and other protected species. The loss of trees and open fields will contribute to habitat destruction and reduce biodiversity.

Additionally, the site is in my experience prone to flooding, and the removal of natural drainage areas will increase the risk of flooding to existing homes, including mine. The developer's drainage plans are vague and fail to address the long-term impact of increased surface water runoff.

3. Overdevelopment and Loss of Character

This proposal represents an overdevelopment of the site, completely changing the character of the area. The density of the housing is far too high, with no thought given to preserving the rural feel of the location. The houses will be packed too closely together, with minimal green space, making it feel more like an urban sprawl than a thoughtfully designed community.

4. Disruption During Construction

Should this development proceed, residents like myself will be subjected to years of disruption. Noise pollution from construction, increased heavy vehicle traffic, and dust will severely impact our quality of life. Given the scale of the project, this disruption could last for several years, making daily life unbearable.

This development is wholly inappropriate for this location. It will place unbearable strain on local infrastructure, damage the environment, destroy the character of the area, and negatively

impact existing residents.