

PLANNING REF : 251421
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Toutley Hall West
: Toutley Hall We Old Forest Road, Wokingham, Select A State/Pr
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COMMENTS:

Having lived in Emmbrook for 60 years we have watched it expand and grow with the times. Recently the NWDR has taken most of the traffic from Old Forest Road and the village in general. Driving out of any of the houses along OFR has always been extremely tricky but this has helped, although we still have to consider pedestrians and the bus stop.

This proposal is intending to bring all the traffic from the new development via a tiny lane onto OFR!!

Has anyone actually looked at the reality of this? 53 units bringing a minimum of 80 cars, delivery drivers, binmen, postmen, visitors BACK into the village. This is completely untenable. On top of this, there are 4 properties that actually use the tiny lane for access to their properties. DIRECTLY onto the lane, as in there isn't an inch of space to spare. East Toutley Hall's front gate/door is ON the lane and their gates literally open ONTO the lane.

There is also a substantial hedgerow growing on the other side of the lane - huge. Full of wildlife and fauna.

During school runs, the road is full of both pedestrians and cars not to mention the BUSES which stop right outside Toutley Hall. This is a serious safety issue now!

Why isn't the NDWR being used for access? There is already at least one dropped curb already in place. It was built to DISTRIBUTE the traffic from all the new developments and does that job well, in spite of the considerable destruction of green space. Progress is progress and so far, I must say it has been done well, especially the regeneration of the town itself - its beautiful and I'm proud to still live here. But this is just a bizarre aberration! I have spoken to the developer at least twice and emailed my comments to him back in May. He did offer to meet up with all objectors but this never happened.

I cannot believe the planners will allow this access for all the above reasons. I look forward to hearing the explanation behind this. kind regards

Hannah Robinson