

PLANNING REF : 252498  
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 8 Baird Road  
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SUBMITTED BY : Mrs L Gonzalez  
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COMMENTS:

This so-called "garden village" will inevitably merge Arborfield and Shinfield, effectively creating one vast urban area. Traffic congestion is already worsening daily due to the relentless development in Arborfield, where residents were previously sold the same "garden village" vision. As usual, the majority of housing will be constructed long before any meaningful infrastructure is in place, leading to inevitable chaos on already overstretched local roads. This will then be followed by the appointment of yet another poorly managed company to maintain the development.

I appreciate that objections may make little difference, but this continuous cycle of overdevelopment will ultimately drive people away from the area. Why is Wokingham's housing target being concentrated so heavily in one location rather than being sensibly distributed? My husband, a self-build developer, was refused planning permission for a single house in Twyford, yet thousands of homes are being approved here.