

PLANNING REF : 261460
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 45 Norwood Gdns
: Hayes, Middlesex
: UB4 9LU
SUBMITTED BY : Ms Carol Livingstone
DATE SUBMITTED : 01/07/2026

COMMENTS:

I would like to object to this planning application as someone who regularly visits close family who live immediately adjacent to this site.

Although I am not a resident myself, I spend a great deal of time in the area visiting my children and grandchildren. From that perspective I have seen first-hand how much this remaining woodland contributes to the neighbourhood and how busy the surrounding road has become over recent years.

What saddens me most is that so much of the natural environment has already disappeared. Large housing developments opposite this site and behind it have transformed what was once a greener, more open setting. This small area of woodland now feels like one of the last reminders of what the area used to be. It provides a peaceful backdrop for local families, wildlife and children growing up nearby, and once it is gone it can never truly be replaced.

As a grandparent, it is important to me that my grandchildren grow up with access to trees, wildlife and natural spaces rather than seeing every remaining piece of land turned into housing. They deserve to experience birdsong, changing seasons and nature on their doorstep, not just photographs of what used to be there.

I am equally concerned about the impact on road safety. Every time I visit my family I experience how difficult it can already be to enter and leave their property because of the volume and speed of traffic on this stretch of road. Vehicles frequently have to wait for suitable gaps, and traffic approaching the nearby roundabout often leaves little margin for error. Introducing additional driveways and vehicle movements for two more homes will inevitably increase stopping and turning movements on an already busy section of road, creating greater risks for both existing residents and passing traffic.

I appreciate that new housing is needed in appropriate locations, but this proposal offers very little public benefit while causing permanent harm to one of the last remaining wooded areas in this part of the community and adding further pressure to an already difficult road. Having watched this area change over many years, I feel this is the point where what remains should be protected rather than sacrificed for yet more development. For these reasons, I respectfully ask the Council to refuse this application.