

PLANNING REF : 241567
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Rose Street
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SUBMITTED BY : Ms Virginia Fussey
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COMMENTS:

I am writing to express my strong objection to the proposed development of 40 new houses off Longwater Road in Finchampstead. I am horrified that such a proposal is being considered, given the significant negative impacts it will have on the wider community, environment, and local infrastructure.

Firstly, there seems to be a blatant disregard of environmental concerns and a failure to prioritise a more sustainable society. At a time when protecting our natural surroundings is more critical than ever, the proposal fails to address the substantial environmental footprint that this development would create. The construction and habitation of these houses will lead to increased carbon emissions, loss of green spaces, and potential harm to local wildlife habitats. Such environmental degradation is unacceptable, particularly as we face a climate crisis that demands immediate and drastic action.

Secondly, the burden on local services is already a pressing issue for the residents of Finchampstead. The addition of 40 new houses will put unsustainable pressure on existing infrastructure. Local schools, healthcare facilities, and public services are already struggling to cope with the demands placed upon them. The influx of new residents will exacerbate these issues, leading to overcrowded schools, longer wait times for medical services, and increased strain on public amenities.

Moreover, the local road network, including Longwater Road, is not equipped to handle the additional traffic that will inevitably result from this development. Increased traffic congestion will not only inconvenience residents but also raise safety concerns for pedestrians and cyclists. The lack of public transportation options in the area further compounds the problem, making the reliance on private vehicles almost unavoidable and thus contributing to higher pollution levels.