

PLANNING REF : 261511
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 62 Attwood Drive
: Arborfield / Wokingham, Berkshire
: RG2 9FE
SUBMITTED BY : Mr daren blackwell
DATE SUBMITTED : 06/08/2026

COMMENTS:

To Wokingham Borough Council Planning Department,
I wish to formally OBJECT to this application on the following grounds:

1. Failure to Notify Neighbour

I am an immediate adjoining neighbour and I have received NO official notification whatsoever of this application neither by letter, nor by any other form of notice. As a directly affected party, I should have been notified. This lack of notification has limited the time I have to properly consider and respond to the proposals.

2. Harm to the Character and Appearance of the Terrace

These are identical townhouses built as a matching pair/terrace with consistent frontage design. The garage door is a key unifying architectural feature shared by the adjoining properties. Replacing it with a window will break the symmetry, create a visual mismatch, and appear out of character with the two townhouses on either side. This alteration disrupts the established design rhythm of the terrace and harms the street scene, contrary to policies protecting residential character.

3. Loss of Design Consistency

The proposal departs significantly from the consistent fenestration and building line pattern of the adjoining properties. There is no justification for breaking the uniform appearance of the group.

4. Loss of Off-Street Parking
Converting the garage removes a designated off-street parking space. This will increase pressure for on-street parking in a residential cul-de-sac, already affected by vehicle congestion.

5. Potential Increased Occupancy & Amenity Impact

Converting a garage to habitable space raises the potential for increased occupancy, bringing more vehicle movements, noise, and activity affecting the peaceful enjoyment of neighbouring properties.

Deeds /covenants - the original developer writes a restrictive covenant into every property's title deeds. The purchaser shall not make or change the exterior of the property shall not be altered so as to change the uniform appearance of the estate.

Conclusion:

This proposal was not properly notified to an affected neighbour and would harm the character and visual unity of the terrace. I respectfully request the application be REFUSED on all grounds set out above.

Yours faithfully,

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