

PLANNING REF : 250543
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Isis Close
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: RG41 5PN
SUBMITTED BY : Mr K SH
DATE SUBMITTED : 20/03/2025

COMMENTS:

I am writing to respectfully express my concerns regarding the proposed development of a mosque in the residential area of Winnersh. I wish to formally object to the establishment of any new religious centers in the area, not out of opposition to any faith, but due to the potential impact such developments may have on the community. As a long-term resident, I chose to live in Winnersh for its peaceful, family-friendly environment. However, the increasing approval of religious centers, often designated as community spaces or places of worship, raises questions about the council's long-term planning strategy. While I fully support the right of individuals to practice their faith, the conversion of properties for religious purposes can significantly alter the character of a neighbourhood, affecting property values, business investment, traffic flow, parking availability, noise levels, and local infrastructure. Winnersh has traditionally maintained a balanced mix of residential and commercial spaces, contributing to its appeal as a family-oriented community. In other areas, such as Birmingham and Slough, a high concentration of religious institutions has led to unintended consequences, including increased strain on council resources and changes in local dynamics. Given that Wokingham Council is already struggling to meet the needs of local residents, I urge the council to carefully evaluate the broader impact of this proposal and ensure planning decisions prioritize the long-term interests of the entire community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Also For Prayer and Community purpose I see there are number of mosque and other religious centres within a 5-mile radius of Winnersh, which community can visit for prayers.