

PLANNING REF : 250543
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 11 Kelburne Close
: Winnersh, Berkshire
: RG41 5JG
SUBMITTED BY : Mr Sanjeev Singh
DATE SUBMITTED : 20/03/2025

COMMENTS:

As a resident of Wokingham, I am writing to formally express my objection to the proposed construction of Islamic education, worship and community centre at Unit 4, Winnersh Fields Gazelle Close, Winnersh.

While the idea is fine, the chosen location raises several concerns that necessitate reconsideration.

1. Traffic Congestion - One of the primary issues with the proposed site is the potential for increased traffic congestion. Reading Road is already a busy road, and the addition of a community centre will undoubtedly exacerbate this problem. This is a crucial road connecting local residents with the Showcase Cinema roundabout and access to the motorways. The influx of visitors, coupled with the existing traffic from the Wickes, Halfords and other shops will choke the traffic and lead to significant delays and frustration for local commuters.

2. Parking Challenges - The proposed plan allows only a few parking places. The worshipers will end up parking on local roads illegally and develop safety issues to local residents.

3. Noise pollution - The addition of a community centre is likely to increase noise levels in the area. Events, gatherings, and general day-to-day activities will contribute to noise pollution, which could disturb the peace and quiet that residents currently enjoy.

4. Accidents and safety- I have noticed people taking a right turn illegally while coming out of the close. It has caused accidents in the past and is highly likely to increase the risk.

I hope Wokingham Council will reject this application immediately in the interest of the basic rights of the local residents.