

PLANNING REF : 251486  
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Villa Field  
: Barkham Road, Workingham, Berkshire  
: RG414TG  
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Laura Heyliger  
DATE SUBMITTED : 17/08/2025

COMMENTS:

I strongly object to this application for development on Land at the corner of Barkham Road and Edneys Hill.

I have lived in this area since 1987, in a lovely village environment in a rural area, and over the years have seen more and more development which causes more traffic and the roads that just cannot cope. With increasing traffic levels, this is making it more difficult for residents living off Barkham Road to exit or enter their properties.

Edney's Hill is a very narrow road with a 60mph speed limit and no pavements. The visibility sight lines to enter or leave this new development will be dangerous, especially as the proposed exit is close to a blind bend on a hill

The field to be developed is the last small bit of green space in Barkham and once Blagrove Meadows is developed, it will then be the last green wedge between Barkham and Wokingham.

Its on a steep slope. So the water run off from any development will cause flooding to the road below, and will affect the gardens of the neighbouring residents to the East on Barkham Road, whose gardens are often saturated in winter. Even now the drains can't cope, as they are constantly blocked, so this will only get worse.

There has been NO consultation with the community prior to receiving this application and as always our views are seldom taken into consideration, and we are the ones who live in the area.

Many planning applications have been turned down on Appeal for many good reasons. The Inspectors have cited the irrevocable harm this will cause to a much valued part of the countryside and which will have a detrimental impact on the Landscape, character and scenic beauty of this prominent plot on Barkham Hill. So why should this be any different, as nothing has since changed.

I urge you to seriously consider these comments, so that this application can be refused