

PLANNING REF : 241861
PROPERTY ADDRESS : F Ullbrook Avenue
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SUBMITTED BY : A Knowles
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COMMENTS:

I support this application.

As the parent of a soon to be primary school aged child, myself and many others living in Croft Gardens (and the local area) face not getting into local, walkable schools and will have to drive, adding further congestion to the roads. A local school is very much needed and many parents were sold the Croft Gardens estate on the basis of there being existing local schools within catchment and two new schools (this one and Alder Grove) being built. It is very disappointing this was not done on the previously advised timescales (by the developer) and has caused myself and other parents a lot of worry about what schools our children will be allocated and how far we will have to drive to get there.

There seems to be consideration to supporting sustainability and animals living near the site.

If this school was built, I believe many applicants would be locals so would probably be less likely to drive to the school, as it would be walkable for most people. As it is only a single form entry, the 16 spaces shown in the plans should hopefully be sufficient initially if parents are only dropping off/picking up, as with breakfast/after school clubs the times may be spaced out. As the school grows the spaces may not be adequate. Could a bigger car park be built with the remaining space? Why does the application not include the remaining land, too?

There is a bus route serving Fullbrook Avenue and parents and children using this would support the (dwindling) bus service that started out as three times an hour and is now reduced to once an hour.