

PLANNING REF : 260774
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Nithsdale House
: Basingstoke Road, Riseley, Reading, Berkshire
: RG7 1QL
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Kathryn Goold
DATE SUBMITTED : 15/05/2026

COMMENTS:

I strongly object to the proposed development on land north of Sun Lane (planning application 260774).

It is situated in open countryside and lies outside the settlement boundary of Riseley. These fields border St Leger's copse and have become even more important to wildlife following the Cala homes development on Duke's field several years ago. This proposal would have a negative impact on wildlife and ecology and be detrimental to the rural setting of Riseley with it's ancient woodlands, fields and hedgerows.

The access to the site is a rural single track road which is inappropriate and unsafe for the amount of traffic that will occur both during and after the development. There is already considerable congestion and tailbacks along this road as drivers attempt to get to the roundabout to join the A33.

There are also concerns regarding the infrastructure, existing water and sewerage systems are already struggling. Additional housing would add to existing pressure on the local medical practice and local schools are over subscribed.

The proposed development would increase the risk of flooding. The homes bordering the site already experience water running off these fields in times of heavy rainfall. The capacity of the site to act as a natural buffer and absorb water will be significantly reduced by the hard surfaces of the development and pose a significant threat to existing properties.

For these reasons, I request that the council reject this proposal.