

PLANNING REF : 252138
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 53 Hyde End Road
: Reading, Berkshire
: RG2 9EP
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Toni Long
DATE SUBMITTED : 06/10/2025

COMMENTS:

I would like to object to this application due to the below reasons:

1. Noise Pollution

The proposed development will significantly increase noise levels both during construction and once operational. Construction activities involving heavy machinery and extended working hours will disrupt the peace of the area, particularly affecting residents, schools, and those working from home.

Post-construction, the increase in vehicle traffic, deliveries, and general human activity associated with this development will generate ongoing noise pollution. This is especially concerning if the proposal includes commercial premises, multi-unit housing, or extended operational hours.

2. Strain on Local Infrastructure

The local infrastructure is already under pressure. The area suffers from congested roads, limited parking, and overcrowded public transport. An influx of new residents or businesses would exacerbate these problems.

Local schools, GP surgeries, and other public services are near or over capacity. No clear or adequate provision for the expansion of these services has been included in the application. Approving this development without infrastructure upgrades would have a direct negative impact on the quality of life for current residents.

3. Damage to Environment and Wildlife

The proposed development poses a serious threat to the local environment and biodiversity. The site in question is home to various protected species and forms part of a valuable green corridor that supports wildlife movement and ecological balance.

Clearing the land, altering drainage, and increasing impermeable surfaces will not only disrupt habitats but may also increase flood risk. No convincing environmental impact assessment or mitigation strategy appears to have been provided.

4. Overdevelopment and Impact on Local Character

This proposal represents overdevelopment of the site. The scale, density, and design are out of keeping with the character of the surrounding area. It will lead to a loss of open space and visual amenity, contributing to a sense of overcrowding.

Overdevelopment can create long-term socio-economic problems, such as increased crime and reduced community cohesion, particularly when developments are not integrated into the community with appropriate planning and support services.

Conclusion

This development is not in the best interest of the local community or the environment. It would degrade quality of life, stress public infrastructure, and destroy valuable green space and biodiversity. I respectfully request that this application be refused.