

PLANNING REF : 251862
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 4 The Rise
: Reading Road, Finchampstead, Berkshire
: RG40 4RH
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Debbie Austin
DATE SUBMITTED : 25/09/2025

COMMENTS:

I am writing to register my objection to the above planning application concerning Land at 78 Reading Road and to the rear of 80 Reading Road.

My concerns are as follows:

Hazardous and Asbestos Waste

The proposed development raises serious concerns about the handling and disposal of hazardous materials, including potential asbestos waste. This poses risks not only to immediate neighbours but to the wider community and environment.

Noise and Disturbance

The anticipated level of noise and disturbance is unacceptable, particularly due to the long operating hours, proposed activity 7 days a week, and the continuous movement of large vehicles. This will significantly disrupt the peace and quiet of the neighbourhood.

Traffic, Safety, and Pollution

The road in question is already heavily used, and the introduction of additional large lorries and service vehicles will create congestion, increase the risk of accidents, and worsen air and noise pollution. This will make living conditions unbearable for nearby residents.

Hazard to Wildlife and Domestic Animals

Extra vehicle movements pose a direct hazard to local wildlife and domestic animals. The area is known to support a diverse range of species, and the increased risk of roadkill and habitat disruption is deeply concerning.

Protected Bat Habitat and Environmental Concerns

Is the site covered by bat protection regulations? Bats are highly sensitive to both noise and artificial light pollution. Any development that increases light and noise levels would be detrimental to this protected species, contrary to environmental legislation.

In light of the above, I strongly urge the planning authority to refuse this application. The potential harm to residents, wildlife, and the environment far outweighs any possible benefits.

Yours faithfully

Debbie Austin,