

PLANNING REF : 251421
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 6 Toutley Close
: Wokingham, Berkshire
: RG41 1JH
SUBMITTED BY : Mr David Healey
DATE SUBMITTED : 06/07/2025

COMMENTS:

I object to Planning Application 251421: the proposed development of 53 new homes off Old Forest Road.

This proposal raises significant concerns and appears to conflict with Wokingham Borough Council's stated commitments to sustainable development, traffic reduction, and preserving local infrastructure.

This development runs counter to Wokingham Council's Local Plan objectives, which stress the importance of prioritising brownfield development, limiting urban sprawl, and ensuring that infrastructure keeps pace with population growth. Additionally, it contradicts the Council's Climate Emergency Action Plan, which promotes reducing car dependency and protecting green spaces.

A key concern is the impact on local traffic. The area already suffers from congestion, especially during school drop-off and pick-up times. Adding 53 new homes will significantly increase vehicle numbers, exacerbating traffic issues and creating dangerous conditions for the many children who walk to the nearby schools daily. The proposed access road for the development is a narrow lane that is entirely unsuitable for the volume of traffic that would be generated by the new homes. It is also very near to the Commons Road junction with two two-way roads running parallel and exiting at the same point.

I urge the Council to reject this proposal in favour of developments that align more closely with its own strategic plans and the well-being of the community.