

PLANNING REF : 260120
PROPERTY ADDRESS : FBC Centre
: Gorse Ride, Finchampstead, Wokingham
: RG40 4ES
SUBMITTED BY : Finchampstead Parish Council
DATE SUBMITTED : 19/02/2026

COMMENTS:

The Committee RESOLVED TO OBJECT to this planning application on the following grounds:

The site is located within a recognised traffic pinch-point area, and the proposal has the potential to exacerbate congestion, contrary to FNDP Policy GA1.1, which requires integration with arterial routes without impeding traffic flow, worsening existing pinch-points, or creating new ones that result in unacceptable congestion.

The additional traffic generation and extended operating hours are having a significant adverse impact on neighbouring residential properties, contrary to FNDP Policy TC1.1b. This policy supports local businesses only where they do not give rise to unacceptable impacts on nearby residential uses, including those arising from traffic movements, noise, emissions, hours of operation, and lighting.

Should the application be approved, conditions should be imposed to restrict working hours and to prevent vehicles from parking on the grass verge.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (5 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstained)