

PLANNING REF : 251897
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 41 Bolton Drive
: Shinfield
: RG2 9RD
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Gita Kapoor
DATE SUBMITTED : 18/09/2025

COMMENTS:

I wish to express my support for the proposed change of use of the property to a private gym.

1. Positive Contribution to Health and Wellbeing

- The proposal promotes healthier lifestyles by providing a safe, local, and accessible space for exercise.
- It encourages physical activity, which aligns with national and local planning policies aimed at improving community health.

2. Low Impact on Local Area

- As a private gym, the use will be strictly controlled and limited to members/clients, reducing the likelihood of large crowds, noise, or disturbance.
- The nature of the facility means it will generate significantly less traffic and parking demand compared to public gyms or alternative commercial uses.

3. Sustainable Use of Space

- Repurposing the property for a gym makes effective use of existing built infrastructure, avoiding unnecessary new development.
- It contributes to the area's vitality without overburdening local amenities or services.

4. Economic and Social Benefits

- The gym will support small business growth, potentially creating local employment opportunities.
- It will provide a positive service to residents who may prefer smaller, more private fitness spaces to larger commercial gyms.

5. Good Fit for Surroundings

- The proposed use is compatible with the character of the area, with limited impact on neighbouring properties.

In conclusion, this application represents a sustainable, health-focused, and low-impact use of the property that will bring tangible benefits to both users and the wider community. I fully support the proposal.