

PLANNING REF : 242118
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Wards Cross
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: RG100DS
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Vanessa Atkinson
DATE SUBMITTED : 18/09/2024

COMMENTS:

I am strongly objecting to the planning application 242067 - Land east of Lodge Road, Hurst, RG10 0EG. I live on Wards Cross which backs onto the land being proposed for this most inappropriate development and am deeply concerned about the negative impacts this development will have on Hurst village.

- This land does not fall within the development limit of the village and there are no exceptions/conditions met by the proposal that would permit development (ref WBC policy CP11 of the Core Strategy).

- There is no need for this development in Hurst. WBC already has other housing land supply options and exceeded housing requirements.

- Hurst cannot sustain this large number of houses and the resulting vast increase in the many more hundreds of people/cars/traffic that the proposed development will introduce. The proposal has totally underestimated the impact to local roads (including safety concerns regarding pedestrian and cycle access/narrow lanes etc), public transport, schools, services etc which will not cope.

- WBC has recently and repeatedly rejected this site for development as being unsuitable and inappropriate. It will ruin the existing village and character of Hurst. The proposal illustrates a development completely out of keeping with the nature and character of Hurst village and surrounding settlements.

- The land being proposed for development is a greenfield site and extremely important to preserve for local wildlife and ancient trees, hedgerows etc. With the very worrying environmental concerns currently being faced, every opportunity to preserve and respect special nature areas should be taken.

- Hurst village has a very active and thriving community already and does not need this most inappropriate development to spoil it. This planning application must be refused.