

PLANNING REF : 250517
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 15 Hunters Way
: Spencers Wood, Berkshire
: RG7 1HW
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Rachael Hearn
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COMMENTS:

I wish to register my objections to the proposal to build up to 420 dwellings and associated buildings on land off Basingstoke Road in Spencers Wood.

The definition of a village is "a small human settlement, typically rural, larger than a hamlet but smaller than a town" Already, Spencers Wood is losing this identity. The village has seen significant development in recent years and so proposals such as this will simply diminish it further. We cannot let this happen.

The current infrastructure would have to be significantly improved to support the additional traffic that this development would bring. The current level of congestion at peak times is problematic at best and the issue of maintaining the already poor condition roads would become increasingly difficult.

Although there is provision to build a new medical surgery, this is unlikely to be able to cope with the demand that the amount of dwellings will bring, particularly as there will also be an 80 bed care home to consider. This also assumes that there will be sufficient medical staff available to operate the practice!

Probably the most poignant issue in my mind would be the impact on the wildlife and their habitat. I often see deer in the fields on the proposed site for this development and it would be extremely sad to see them disappear from their natural environment.

It is understandable and inevitable that developments such as this are required but not in an area that has already seen significant growth. This is not an example of NIMBY but instead a plea to keep what little green space we have left!

Sincerely

Rachael Hearn