

PLANNING REF : 252185
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Cherry Tree Cottage
: 10 Silverdale Road, Wargrave, Berkshire
: RG10 8EA
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Griselda Adeline Bruce Truscott Wicks
DATE SUBMITTED : 14/01/2026

COMMENTS:

When I responded to the revised Planning Application 252185 on the 3.11.25, I expressed my concerns, not only about the overdevelopment of the site but, also, about the prospect of noise pollution and disturbance.

Having now considered the Noise Assessment Report submitted by Lawrence Baker Ltd., I have grave concerns that the suggested mitigation plans do not adequately resolve the issues raised.

The equipment used to measure the current levels of noise was placed in a position as far away as possible from the Silverdale Road residents most likely to be affected i.e. the SE corner of the site. Also, the time in operation seems minimal - less than 3 days (70hrs 40mins).

The positioning of the HVAC equipment/plant is already contentious, but the proposal to add screening panels in mitigation is unacceptable. This will make an already overpowering development even more so by raising the roof sightline by another 2-2.2 metres. The request for the re-positioning of the equipment at or near ground level was casually dismissed as 'no space for ground based HVAC'. As the HVAC equipment is an integral part of the development, why was this not included in the original planning submission (222456), and not put out for consultation at the eleventh hour, and almost as a 'fait accompli' at this late stage?

I feel more work and alternatives need to be considered on this issue, and recommend that Planning Application 252185 should be refused.