

PLANNING REF : 241933
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 9
: 9 Oaktree Way, Sandhurst, Berks
: GU478QS
SUBMITTED BY : Mr Ultan Kenny
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COMMENTS:

Having resided in Old Wokingham Road previously, I am very familiar with the area.

The plan almost creates a continuous urban footprint for Wokingham, Crowthorne and Bracknell. A key element of living in towns in this region is a mix of urban within a rural / forest environment. The plan effectively combines a population of over 250,000 ,bigger than Swindon, Guildford and Woking to name a few. The urban area would equate to that of a small city. This totally contradicts why many live in the area.

The current services in the area do not meet residents' needs. NHS facilities eg hospitals, Doctors and Dentists are all oversubscribed. Waiting lists are horrendous. School places are similarly challenging. This is before the current developments in Crowthorne and Wokingham have been completed. The developers in Bucklers Park have dragged their feet in delivering facilities to mitigate the developments impact. It will get worse before any further development.

The specific location gives further problems. The road system around Easthampstead Rd and Old Wokingham Rd is oversubscribed now, with the junction already a known accident blackspot. The drainage in the area is also a recurring and worsening issue. Downside Golf course closures can attest to that. Further local building only exacerbates these issues.

On every level this development is not a sound proposition.