

PLANNING REF : 242067
PROPERTY ADDRESS : School Rd
: Hurst
: RG10 0DR
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Philippa Etheridge
DATE SUBMITTED : 18/09/2024

COMMENTS:

I wish to object to this planning application.

The previous application was dismissed earlier this year and I see no change to the reasons for this dismissal.

- Hurst is an unsustainable area for a sizeable development such as this. Residents of Hurst rely heavily on private cars to access local facilities such as shops, hospitals, GP, schools.
- There are no cycle links, pavements are narrow and the bus service severely limited and often unreliable.
- pressure on school places is already high locally with additional pressure from the developments in the Cantley Park/Emmbrook area. Recent development applications for developments in Twyford need to be taken into consideration in addition to this one.
- the applicant has not demonstrated that these concerns have been mitigated in their new proposal.
- this is a greenfield site. I've heard it called the green heart of Hurst. The development of this land destroys habitat, views, wildlife and local quality of life.
- the land affected is outside of the village envelope and doesn't meet any of the special circumstances required to be considered for development.
- Hurst is some of the only semi rural green space left around Wokingham, it should be left that way and not ruined in similar ways to the likes of Arborfield, Barkham and Shinfield.

I object strongly. This brings ZERO benefit to our beautiful village.