

PLANNING REF : 252129
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Lower Sandhurst Road
: Berkshire
: RG40 3TH
SUBMITTED BY : Miss Megan Holly Ingham
DATE SUBMITTED : 23/10/2025

COMMENTS:

I am writing to formally object to the proposed house development on Finchampstead Road. While I understand the need for new housing, I have several serious concerns about the impact this particular proposal will have on the local environment and the character of our community.

Firstly, the noise and disruption from construction work would significantly affect the quality of life for nearby residents. Prolonged building activity will generate unacceptable levels of noise, dust, and disturbance.

Secondly, the proposed building's height and positioning will obstruct sunlight to neighbouring properties and gardens. This will not only reduce natural light but could also have a negative effect on property values and residents' enjoyment of their homes. In addition, the

proposed development would result in significant overlooking of neighbouring properties, leading to an unacceptable loss of privacy for residents. The placement of upper-floor windows would allow direct views into nearby homes and gardens, which are currently private and secluded. This change would fundamentally alter how residents use and enjoy their outdoor spaces, as well as diminish the sense of security and comfort that the existing boundary and tree cover presently provide.

Thirdly, the proposed development is not in keeping with the character of existing properties along Finchampstead Road. The surrounding homes have a distinct and harmonious architectural style, and introducing a design that does not align with this will alter the visual identity of the area.

Lastly, the removal of a wooded area that has already occurred provided important natural habitat for wildlife and contributed greatly to the character of the area. This loss of green space is deeply detrimental to local biodiversity and the visual appeal of the neighbourhood. In addition, the wooded area & site contains a number of identifiable trees with TPO's. The proposed plans have adverse impacts on these trees whether that be through damage of root structures or restricted growth through new local building structures.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge the Council to reconsider approving this development in its current form. I believe that preserving the established character, environment, and tranquillity of Finchampstead Road is in the best interests of local residents and the wider community.