

PLANNING REF : 252347
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 46 Eastheath Avenue
: Wokingham, Berkshire
: RG41 2PJ
SUBMITTED BY : Mr Andrew Williams
DATE SUBMITTED : 24/10/2025

COMMENTS:

We object to the proposed fence between Nos. 44 and 46 Eastheath Avenue for the following reasons:

1. Incorrect description of the existing arrangement. The application inaccurately describes the driveways of Nos 44 and 46 as shared. They are entirely separate and have never been shared. There is currently no fence between the two from our back gate to the pavement, and this arrangement has previously caused no issues.

2. Boundary line misrepresented. The boundary and all existing fencing along it belong to No. 46, which is responsible for maintenance. The proposed continuation of fencing would therefore be incorrectly positioned. The existing fence is also not 2m in height, contrary to the application.

3. Out of keeping with the character of Eastheath Avenue. A 2 m high solid fence would appear visually intrusive and incongruous in the street scene. Most properties have low fences or hedges along front boundaries, and only a few taller fences exist further along the road.

4. Access, visibility, and safety concerns. The fence would significantly reduce visibility when vehicles from both driveways are manoeuvring at the same time, increasing the likelihood of accidents. It would also restrict sightlines when exiting onto the road, particularly at night or when on-street parking limits visibility. This presents a genuine highway safety risk, especially as Eastheath Avenue often experiences faster moving traffic when Molly Millars Lane or Finchampstead Road are congested or closed.

5. Loss of natural light. A solid 2 m fence would block light into our sitting room where there is a window onto that area affecting the amenity and enjoyment of our property.

6. Lack of construction details. The application provides no information regarding materials, construction methods, timescale, or the handling of underground utilities.

We are more than happy to have a discussion with the resident to establish an appropriate formal boundary arrangement that would be satisfactory to both parties.

Summary

The proposed fence would be incorrectly sited, out of keeping with the character of the area, and harmful to visibility, light and safety. It would therefore detract from both the visual amenity of Eastheath Avenue and the safe, reasonable enjoyment of our property.