

PLANNING REF : 252430
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 7 Foxborough
: Swallowfield, Berks
: RG7 1RW
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Ann Titheridge
DATE SUBMITTED : 25/11/2025

COMMENTS:

I am writing with reference to the above planning application as I have a number of troubling concerns that I would like to put forward.

Swallowfield already has a number of houses currently being built in the neighbourhood. An additional set of homes is unsustainable without major infrastructure changes. If you drive up Trowes lane it is a one track road and it is difficult for two cars to pass in places. More homes will add stress to the road system.

The Doctors surgery is already oversubscribed and more homes will add further stress to the system lowering health care for the whole Parish.

Currently Swallowfield is outside the catchment area of primary schools which is an issue for current home owners in the Parish let alone potential new families that come to live in the area.

There is limited public transport. Currently , there is no bus service serving Wokingham.

I am also very concerned about flooding issues in the area. The field where the proposed planning application is being sort has flooded more than once over the years. I note that parts of the site are in Flood Zone 2 . There already is an increased threat of flooding with the current houses being built.
This is a significant worry to me.

I think the other troubling matter is the fact that Thames water has already categorized the nearby approved site as RED and apparently there are no plans from Thames water to upgrade the water system until 2030.

I appreciate that the council has a quota of houses to be built but Swallowfield already has significant additional homes being built near to the proposed planning site. I don't feel the issues outlined above should be seen as "not in my back garden" type of worries. These are significant, genuine and real issues that will affect everyone living in Swallowfield not just those that are living on the perimeter of the site.