

Green Belt Release Site Allocation DPD

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Byfleet village is already struggling with lack of facilities to support the families living within the village, school places are over subscribed, we have no local doctors surgery - a bus trip into West Byfleet is necessary to visit the doctor - that is if you can get an appointment - I last waited 3 weeks to see a doctor and that after being told by Weybridge Walk-in Centre that I should see a doctor - I am still waiting for physio treatment - so how can you be looking at increasing the population in this area without the resources to support those of us who already live here!

The traffic round Byfleet frequently 'locks us in' by those commuting to work and schools in Brooklands, West Byfleet and beyond or trying to access the A3 - regular users of Parvis Road 'cut through' the village trying to jump the queues of traffic each evening on Parvis Road thereby making it even more difficult for residents to move about the village. When the A3 and M25 are blocked this then brings the whole of the area to a stand still.

The Green Belt area proposed for development is subject to flooding and high water table - you may be able to protect any new development with 'tanks' under the development to absorb water but what about the residents already living here who will be subject to flooding by the displacement of water due to increased building?

Woking may have a quota to meet for building in the Borough but surely the quota should be spread across the whole to Surrey and allocated to those areas that have space to build on Brown Field sites before we look at taking any of our precious Green Belt - with the M25 so close we need what little 'clean air' the valuable space gives us.

At the meeting it was mentioned that you were looking at redeveloping the library site with housing - will that number come off the proposed number of dwellings for Byfleet? There has already been a large development in Rectory Lane increasing the traffic and parking and making the bus route difficult for the drivers - the road infrastructure will not support any further increase in traffic.

What has happened to the Byfleet Petition? - this should be taken into account when development of the area is being considered.

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