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Dear Ms Jackson
Proposed Development of 400+ Homes off Upshot Lane Pyrford

I understand that Woking Borough Council has announced its proposals for meeting the housing requirements in the period 2015-2040 and this includes the development of two agricultural fields on each side of Upshot Lane Pyrford where it is proposed to build 400 plus homes.

I would like to register my objection to this proposal for a number of reasons:

1. Green Belt has been determined for good reason to protect our countryside and heritage and the Council should redevelop brownfield sites in preference on all occasions.
2. The proposal would blight the Green Belt and endanger heritage views from the Pyrford Escarpment to the North Downs which is enjoyed daily by many of us that walk this area.
3. I note that one of the fields was not recommended as appropriate for use by the Council's planning consultants,PBA, in the 2014 Green Belt Review published in 2014.
4. At the present time the road through the village is very heavily trafficked with vehicles taking children to and from the Pyrford Village School and the Marist School in West Byfleet. In addition the road has become a rat run for vehicles coming through the village to and from Ripley. The traffic frequently exceeds the local speed limits and causing peak traffic congestion. A further 400+ plus homes will only add to these problems.
5. A further 400+ plus homes is a disproportional development of the area which cannot be supported by the local infrastructure or facilities including roads, education, healthcare and social facilities.
6. I suspect that the utilities, in particular water and sewerage, will have to be upgraded to a level which will cause major upheaval to the village.

Whilst I appreciate that there is a national need to build more new homes for the future I do not consider that this proposal is appropriate for the reasons stated above and consequently I object most strongly to the proposal.

Yours sincerely

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