

Dear Sirs.

I am writing to respond to the recently published Peter Brett report and on planning guidelines for the future.

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I have been resident at this address for more than 42 years.

My comments are restricted to 3 particular sites – GB 10, GB 11 and GB 14

1. Release of the land.

The proposal to release this land from the greenbelt is highly controversial. It contravenes the point and purpose of establishing greenbelt which should only be released if there is a clear need/ justification and there are no other alternative sites for development.

Requirement for housing beyond 2027 is not established and there is therefore no justification for the release of this greenbelt land. Release of the above pieces of greenbelt land should therefore be withdrawn until such time as the need for development is clearly established.

2. Density and Character

The proposed density of the developments on sites GB 10 and 11 is significantly greater than currently exists in the contiguous areas of Mayford and Hook Heath. This will radically change the character of the area and will destroy the separate communities of Mayford and Hook Heath in contravention of planning guidelines and the principles which were used to establish these as greenbelt areas in the first instance.

3. Infrastructure.

The density indicated above will require substantial changes to the infrastructure. Both sites GB 10 and 11 are only accessible from Saunders Lane. Traffic from these sites wishing to access Hook Heath, St John's and the A322 at Bisley would be obliged to attempt to travel up Hook Hill Lane. This is a narrow country lane which is already congested. There is no provision for pedestrians and there is no opportunity to widen this road which is bounded by private properties. The congestion problems and danger to pedestrians would be enormous and would require traffic to be diverted either through Egley Road and Woking or westwards to the A322. The infrastructure to support these sites would be unsustainable.

I trust that you will take these considerations into account.

Yours sincerely

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