

Objection re proposal for new houses in Pyrford

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To: Planning Policy

Cc: Jeni Jackson

Dear Ms Jackson,

400+ new houses for Pyrford? - **OBJECTION**

I am emailing to object to your proposal for building 400+ houses in Pyrford, currently suggested on the Upshot Lane fields, but I would object to any large development anywhere in Pyrford.

I have grown up in Pyrford and have chosen to remain in Pyrford as an adult and to raise my child here.

Reasons for my objection -

In the 40 years I have lived in Pyrford the area has already become much busier - with more traffic (getting to work for me 6 miles (Pyrford to Cobham) now takes over twice as long as it once did due to congestion), parking issues esp at the local shops and in West Byfleet, more children trying to get into the schools which are already full to bursting, (childcare also full with waiting lists), waits to see a doctor, so I don't believe there is proper infrastructure to support such a huge development. Pyrford can barely support the people and families it has already.

Current highway maintenance is poor (pothole fixing!!) and regular cutting back of hedgerows at junctions to allow drivers to drive safely - more roads would require more maintenance which appears stretched already. How would already stretched emergency services cope with increased numbers, along with an already over stretched A&E department and hospital.

The unspoilt greenbelt land, nature, ability to live an outdoor existence and for my child to also experience the beauty of the open spaces around, enjoy the nature and wildlife that we are fortunate to have is of paramount importance. Pyrford has a unique charm and character and it is important to me that this is kept and that the footpaths that we can access easily from our house are maintained and not removed.

Pyrford is unique in Woking Borough in enjoying its relatively unspoilt countryside and I believe this forms an asset for the entire borough.

Pyrford is a community where people want to live and much of this revolves round the pleasant environment. Safety is important and the character of the village and its wide blend of facilities is something once destroyed cannot easily be re-created.

I understand developments are due to take place on the Wisley airfield site - this would affect through traffic from here through Ripley and into West Byfleet especially for use of the station - so already leading to higher congestion without the proposed Pyrford development.

Woking Borough Council needs to take seriously the letters and objections being raised and not to ignore and brush under the carpet.

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