

## **FW: Objection to proposed greenbelt development of Upshot lane, Pyrford**

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**To:** Planning Policy

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Sent: 30 July 2015 10:00

To: Jeni Jackson

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Subject: Objection to proposed greenbelt development of Upshot lane, Pyrford

Dear Sir / Madam,

We are writing to express our extreme concern and objection about the proposed use of green belt land either side of Upshot Lane for a housing development.

We have lived on Oakcroft Road for 5 years and moved to the area to escape the rat-race and live in a beautiful & relaxing part of the Surrey green belt.

As a daily commuter to the City i have already seen a significant increase in traffic flow down Oakcroft Road, traffic that ignores the speed limit and uses the bends of Oakcroft Road as if they were cornering Brooklands in its heyday. Even the council had to be lobbied extremely hard to install a crossing outside Marist School, obviously recognising the existing traffic problems created by the Oakcroft Road / Byfleet Road junction, an issue that would be significantly exacerbated by the proposed development. We have serious and real concerns about safety issues and traffic build up that would be caused by the proposed development.

From a natural beauty perspective, as a family we often walk from our house, along the side of the field on Upshot Lane and down to the Wey Navigations. We always take visitors with us and they invariably refer to the amazing view from the field over the North Downs - we feel very proud to live in such an area of natural beauty. Something that would be significantly impaired by the building of such a development.

As well as this proposed development, Woking Council previously approved the conversion of the old private school on Coldharbour Lane into flats, incidentally a development for which we were not consulted even though it is a few hundred meters from our house. This will also obviously just further exacerbate the traffic problems.

We do not know enough about the technicalities of the planning process so we leave it to the experts to comment. Suffice to say that it is imperative that Woking Council are seen to apply their own rules consistently for all

proposed developments, and not be influenced by new build targets disseminated from central government.

We kindly ask you seriously consider the passionate views of us and all the other local residents, and to reject this damaging proposal.

Kind Regards

A.J.Jones & L. Sivaloganathan-Jones

Chimneys, Oakcroft Road, West Byfleet, KT14 6JH

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