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For the Attention of Jeni Jackson.
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I am writing to add my voice to those of my neighbours in strongly objecting to the council's proposal to build 400+ new houses in Pyrford.

When we moved to Pyrford in 1983, it was a real country village on the edge of open fields and woods and the local community was small and friendly.

We need to keep our local green fields to conserve wild life including wild flowers for the insects, birds and animals to thrive - and to permit us to enjoy observing them in country walks with our children close to where we live.

New houses means more people with families in the area. There are still not enough primary school places in Pyrford as it is. When we first came to live here we were refused places for our children on the grounds that Pyrford Primary school was already full. We appealed and won them places on medical grounds. How would we manage with an influx of the many more children that would be presented by 400+ new families? The proposed replacement teaching block for Pyrford Primary school would only be sufficient for the present population.

More houses will mean more cars causing even more congestion on the roads in the mornings and evenings. It is not possible to

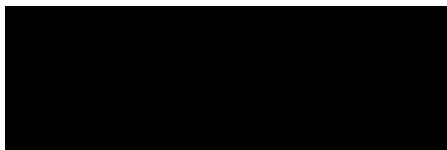
build larger, wider roads in Pyrford without destroying the character of the village.

In the summer months a few years ago when there was a shortage of water we were restricted to using water on certain days of the week only. How would the addition of 400 new houses impact on the water supply in the village of Pyrford? More days with no mains water!

When a local farmer's field off Pyrford Road was permitted by the council to be 'developed' it became a real life "Legoland"; so many properties all crowded together, it was hated by almost everyone in the village.

It would not be Pyrford as we know it if you were to take away more fields around the village. This again would not be welcomed as the village would then become more like a generic suburbia. WE NEED TO KEEP PYRFORD AS IT IS: A VILLAGE!

Yours sincerely

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