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Dear Ms Jackson

Objection to 400+ new houses on Pyrford Green Belt

Whilst I accept that there is a housing shortage which has developed in recent years, I must express my concern and disappointment to hear that serious consideration is being given to developing Pyrford's green belt land.

The unspoilt character in and around Pyrford forms an asset for the wider borough, and it seems illogical to develop so near to Aviary Road which itself is a noted as a conservation area. There are numerous brownfield sites around the country as well as green field sites close to more appropriate established infrastructure (especially road infrastructure), which would surely make for more economical and appropriate development opportunities.

The infrastructure of Pyrford is that of a village and it is rightly limited which is an essential part of its charm and character. The facilities would not be able to cope with the extra demand and ultimately further investment would be required. As well as the additional infrastructure financial cost, Pyrford would undoubtedly lose its sense of identity and just become an extension of Byfleet/West byfleet.

The roads in the area are not suitable for the additional traffic that would result from over development – the country roads into Pyrford and from Pyrford to Ripley and Pyrford to Wisley whilst congested at times are an essential to protect in their current form and are part of the charm and appeal of the area. They are not suitable for significant increases in traffic flows and would not survive in their current form if housing in the area is increased as per the proposals of Woking and Guildford BC (such as Wisley Airfield). Are neighbouring councils considering the impact of the ripple effect of multiple developments close to but across council boundaries? Are the ecological impacts of the ripple effect on further road widening and other infrastructure in the area being properly assessed?

I would welcome you views on this important topic and hope my views of will be given due consideration in the review process.

Yours sincerely

Chris Robinson

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