

Regarding: Woking 2027 DPD Consultation

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To: Planning Policy; [REDACTED]

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to you in response to the DPD consultation to potentially develop on the greenbelt land that makes up most of the village of Mayford, in Woking.

I have been a resident of Mayford for 14 years and have been made aware of the Woking 2027 planning proposals that will impact Mayford. My comments are not specific to any of your documents; however I will refer to the specific site references that I am concerned about:

Site Reference:

GB10 - GB11

I strongly object to any developments on these lands. The housing will fill in any green space between Mayford and Woking, thereby turning Mayford into a suburb of Woking and increasing greatly the risk of merging of Woking and Guildford – the whole purpose of the Green Belt. There appears to have been no consideration for preserving Mayford as a separate settlement to Woking, nor the impact on the character of the Village.

There also appears to have been no consideration to the impact on Mayford's infrastructure that the increased population will result in. More people mean more cars and more strain on the transport infrastructure. I note that there are no plans to upgrade the roads (some of which have no pavements) or railway bridges (which are all single lane) nor robust solutions to deal with the existing traffic problems on Egley Road. Houses cannot just be built in areas that have no supporting infrastructure – there will be gridlock. Prey Heath Road will become very dangerous as increased traffic to Worplesdon station will be weaving around people walking on the road (as there are no pavements).

Please reconsider your plans - what is currently planned will have a devastating impact to Mayford as a Village. Mayford is unique in the U.K. and is mentioned in the Domesday Book in 1086. Mayford has been standing as a village for nearly 1000 years, we will not let our history be tarnished and absorbed into the urban sprawl of Woking.

Please also refer to the response by the Mayford Village Society who I am happy also to represent my views

Yours sincerely,

Mr Harry Smith