

## Objection to building 400+ new houses in Pyrford

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To: Planning Policy

Dear Jeni

We wish to personally object to the Borough's plans to build 400+ houses on the 2 fields in the Pyrford Area. This is in addition to the objections raised by the Pyrford Neighbourhood Forum (which appear to have been ignored) as well as WBC substantially departing from recommendations from your own advisors, Peter Brett Associates.

Having lived in Pyrford for 16 years we are extremely concerned that adding 400+ houses in the area will significantly impact the infrastructure...particularly with respect to schooling, traffic and other amenities such as water and sewerage. Traffic is already at gridlock during school drop off times and school places at local primary schools are already heavily over-subscribed.

It is also unclear to what extent other factors such as the building of additional houses near Ripley and Send will have on the Pyrford infrastructure. A lot of Pyrford traffic emanates from this area.

Also, Pyrford school are putting forward planning permission to rebuild a large part of the school...but are not looking to increase the number of pupils. This does not seem sensible given the likely increase in the population in the short/medium term and any major structural changes to Pyrford school should seriously consider increasing the number of pupils.

It does not look very joined up from our perspective!!!!

We fully appreciate that there is a strong need for more housing, but I believe building 400+ houses in this area is inappropriate and WBC should look to consider alternative options, some of which have already been proposed by the Pyrford Neighbourhood Forum.

It appears that WBC is not following correct governance and consultation processes and ignoring views from both the local community as well as your own independent advisors. Clearly there is a disconnect between what WBC is proposing and what locals and your advisors are saying. **There needs to be significantly more transparency and consultation with the local community before any plans for the area are finalised.**

It is time for you to listen to these important stakeholders.

We trust you will follow a more democratic and consultative approach before finalising plans for Pyrford and trust you will significantly rethink the plans for Pyrford.

Yours sincerely

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