

## Upshot Lane - Proposed development for 400+ news houses in Pyford

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**To:** Planning Policy

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Dear Sir / Madam

I am writing to you today to register my strong opposition to the Upshot Lane development.

My explicit reasons include:

1. **Loss of valuable green belt land.** The whole point of designating land as greenbelt is to preserve it for future generations and to prevent its loss. If we continue to allow greenbelt to be built upon eventually there will be none left. To build on this greenbelt land when other local alternatives exist is to make a mockery of the designation in the first place.
2. **Congestion.** One only has to stand outside Pyford Primary School's front entrance during term time to know how congested the roads are at peak hours. Your proposed development will add significant extra traffic along Oakcroft Road which is already a very difficult road to gain access on to the Old Woking Road from and that's any day of the week. An additional 400+ houses with their associated cars is only going to make a very bad situation even worse.

Whilst I understand the need to increasing the housing stock, have you really considered all the alternatives? Much I am sure will have been made of the unique character of Pyford and some of the surrounding buildings. I for one live in a local listed building. If one really wanted to improve the area whilst adding additional housing stock why look any further than the monstrosity that is the main commercial building in the heart of West Byfleet. A project akin to the Hart centre in Walton would not only improve the look of the town that is currently blighted by this edifice, but could solve your housing issue. By doing so you would increase the appeal of the area and meet government guidelines on additional housing.

Yours faithfully

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