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To Ms Jeni Jackson  
Head of Planning  
Woking Borough Council  
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF GREEN BELT LAND IN PYRFORD  
Dear Ms Jackson

My wife and I are in total agreement with the objections as set out by Pyrford Neighbourhood Forum relating to the building of 400+ houses in Pyrford, and would draw your attention to the following further factors.

Pyrford still (up until now) retains the key elements of a village, but this would be negated by the addition of a further 423 houses. Additionally, Green Belt should be exactly what it says, with endeavours to encroach upon it being repelled in the strongest manner. Brown field sites should be used more extensively.

From a more practical perspective, I make the following points:-

- \* There would be a major loss of natural habitat for animals/birds etc.
- \* Air quality would suffer even more as open fields absorb carbon gasses and release oxygen – we already have enough pollution from aircraft, M25 and A3!
- \* Another 800 cars (say two per home, which these days is an absolute minimum) would all but block our narrow lanes which are already congested at peak hours
- \* There are already insufficient medical resources in the area already with Doctors/Hospital appointments virtually impossible.
- \* St Peter's hospital already covers a wide area, including a heavily congested motorway in immediate proximity (M25), and is often in crisis and closed to emergencies.
- \* The Old Woking road is already extremely congested, and often at a stand-still with very long queues, being one of the main feeder-roads to the A3 and the M25. Any further development would have horrendous consequences on traffic and village life.
- \* Roads in Pyrford are befitting to a Village. They are narrow and winding with many blind spots, and not suitable for heavy traffic. Additional housing with resultant traffic would create unacceptable dangers.
- \* There are a much greater number of cyclists now as a result of the Olympics and annual Cycle Race which goes through Pyrford Village, and further houses/cars would create a greater hazard.
- \* Pyrford schools are already at full capacity and it would be unlikely they could cope with such a large influx of children from the new houses thus creating more journeys.
- \* Bus services are sparse, and main-line rail services already massively overcrowded.
- \* There is insufficient car parking in West Byfleet already. This makes visits to the Health Centre a problem already. More parking would be needed for commuters.

To summarise, the Green Belt land should remain sacrosanct. Local facilities are unable to take the strain of such a massive development.

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