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Application number: 2023/2860

Application address: Land at 12 and Land West of 10 to 26 Claygate Lane Esher Surrey KT10 0AQ

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Comment type: You object to the planning application

Date of comment: 06 Dec 2023

Comment: The original lay-out and style of dwellings in Hinchley Wood in the 1930's was for individual houses with good gardens and immediate access onto the roads. There have been additions and modifications over the years, but this concept has remained. The current proposal for a mixture of buildings squeezed together on a small piece of land with a single access to a normal road is totally out of keeping with the rest of locality and would be a precedent for indiscriminate developments on any scrap of land. That would alter the presentation of the area which has lasted 90 years.

The proposal would grossly impinge upon the privacy and amenities of the surrounding houses. The proposed common narrow access would be difficult or even impossible for council and emergency services.

A serious concern of the proposal is the access into Claygate Lane. Driving along this part of Claygate Lane with the schools on one side is always difficult in term times, not only with the arrival and departure of pupils, but also with many parked cars on one side of the road for most of the day. Consequently, the road is frequently single lane only and sometimes impassable for periods. Vehicles coming and going from the proposed development would appreciably worsen that situation. Also, the coming and going of vehicles from an unexpected direction, may heighten the risk of injury to children hurrying to and from school.