

**Our reference:** COM567932528

**Application number:** 2023/2860

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

**Name:** Mr Truscott

**Address:** 9 Chesterfield Drive, Esher, Surrey, KT10 0AH

**Comment type:** You object to the planning application

**Date of comment:** 08 Dec 2023

**Comment:** I am writing to express my strong objection to the proposed planning application to the rear of my property. I have several concerns about the impact of this development on the local environment, the character of the area, and the traffic situation.

First, the plot has been dormant for over 25 years and has hence become a haven for a variety of wildlife, such as birds, hedgehogs, and foxes. The development will destroy their natural habitat and reduce the biodiversity of the area.

Second, the development will involve the destruction of some mature and healthy trees, which provide shade, oxygen, and aesthetic value to the neighbourhood. The loss of these trees will also increase the risk of flooding and soil erosion.

Third, the development will undermine the classic 1930s style of the area, which is characterised by detached houses with spacious gardens and distinctive features. The proposed design is out of keeping with the existing architecture.

Fourth, the development will lead to increased traffic problems on Claygate Lane, which is already highly problematic at school pick up times. The additional vehicles will cause congestion, noise, and air pollution, and pose a danger to pedestrians and cyclists.

For these reasons, I urge you to reject this planning application and preserve the quality of life and environment of our community.