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Application number: 2023/2889

Application address: Land Off Anyards Road and Copse Road Cobham Surrey KT11 2LH

Name: Mrs Parish

Address: 45 Leigh Road, Cobham, Surrey, KT11 2LF

Comment type: You object to the planning application

Date of comment: 01 Jan 2024

Comment: As a resident on Leigh Road, this development is a huge concern for a couple of reasons, which are both traffic related.

1. Parking - this has increasingly got worse over the years we have lived here, both on Leigh road and Copse Road. We struggle to get in/out of our driveway, 9 times out of 10 we have to do multiple turns to get out of our drive due to parked cars on the road that park too close. In addition, it is impossible to get down Copse road in peak times. The parking contributes to the pile up and congestion of traffic. There is not enough parking for the current volume of houses in this area, adding an additional 26 new homes in this area is only going to increase this issue. 46% of households have more than 2 vehicles, the volume of parking places does not support the removal of 44 garages that have had to find alternative parking places, as well as limited parking vs volume of new homes being built. In addition large trucks including rubbish collection, struggle to get down Leigh Road at the best of times due to the parking. I do not feel this application has taken this serious problem into consideration.

2. Traffic - this is a small road, but the volume of traffic utilising it is huge, especially during peak hours to skip the traffic in the village. In addition, when traffic is flowing, cars drive at speed making it really dangerous. With many families living in this area, and attending either the local nursery or schools, this traffic has already proven dangerous, especially on the 'leigh road' bend, and the cross roads near the park. The parked cars in this area also makes it really difficult to cross the road safely. The volume of residents that this proposal will bring to the area will increase this traffic. In addition, the entry/exit to the site adds other risks.

In addition to the above two factors that impact my household directly. I am concerned to read about the density of construction on this site and the risk to flooding/drainage. The limited green space on this land, and the removal of mature trees is very concerning.