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

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Comment type: You object to the planning application

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Comment: Residing and working in Cobham for the past decade has made me keenly aware of the increasing congestion and urbanization in the area. Parking has become an acute challenge, and while recognizing the essential need for more housing, my primary concern lies in the potential adverse impact of the proposed site on local parking dynamics.

The development, boasting its parking facilities for up to 40 spaces, sparks concerns about visitors resorting to parking on nearby roads, exacerbating the existing extreme congestion and severely limiting parking options for local residents in the evenings and weekends. My apprehension deepens when considering the potential chaos that could ensue as vehicles exit the proposed site onto Anyards Road. The possibility of visitors parking on surrounding roads, coupled with the traffic flow from the development, raises significant worries about a highway safety issue, especially at the intersection of Portsmouth Road and Anyards Road.

This parking predicament extends beyond inconvenience; it touches upon the safety and accessibility of the local community. The current situation, where parking is already a scarce commodity, stands to worsen with the addition of 26 properties. The prospect of increased vehicular activity and parking demands poses a tangible threat to the ease of access for residents and the general well-being of the community.

In essence, while acknowledging the imperative need for housing, my paramount concern revolves around the potential exacerbation of the parking problem due to the proposed development. It is crucial to address this issue comprehensively to ensure the sustained well-being and convenience of our local community.