

Representation from 34 Ferndale with photographs

Dear Rebecca,

I am writing formally object to the proposed planning application for the construction of new houses in Hedge End. Although I have several concerns, my major concerns are listed below. I believe they should be addressed before this development is approved. I live in one of the three houses directly opposite the proposed site.

Loss of Privacy and Overlooking issues

One of my primary concerns is the design and appearance of the proposed houses directly behind our property. The plans show that these new homes are designed to be significantly taller than our own and this height difference will lead to a severe loss of privacy for us. The elevation of the new houses would result in direct overlooking of our garden and living spaces, which would greatly impact our ability to enjoy our home. The potential for increased visibility into our property would cause undue stress and diminish our sense of privacy and security.

On the proposed plans there seems to be a lack of planting buffers along this stretch of road. Plus, a turning area for new properties which we are more likely to endure car headlights being shone into our windows.

The proposed hedge and trees need to be mature for adequate screening, not saplings which take years to grow.

Visual Impact and Character of the Area

Hedge End and the Botley Parish is a predominantly residential area with a certain character and charm that will be compromised by large-scale urban housing within this area. The proposed development will result in a loss of the area's rural and suburban appeal, particularly as the housing is out of character with the existing and neighbouring properties. It is essential that any new development complements the existing aesthetics of the area to maintain its identity.

I have attached photos from our property of the impact it will have on us and the proposed plans where I have marked (in yellow) the lack of planting buffers and the turning area located in that area.

Yours Sincerely,

Emily Payne

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This aerial photograph shows a proposed residential development site. The site is outlined in red and contains several clusters of buildings, some of which are labeled with letters A through F. The buildings are surrounded by green spaces, including lawns and trees. A blue line, possibly representing a water feature or a path, runs through the center of the site. The surrounding area includes existing buildings and roads. A scale bar at the bottom indicates a distance of 26.4 meters. A toolbar at the bottom right contains various icons for navigation and editing.

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