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Current consultation on revised plans for South of the M4 development

Shinfield Parish Council will write to Wokingham Borough Council objecting to the revised plans for the South of the M4 Strategic Development Location (SDL). These are the issues that are likely to form the basis of our objections:

- There should be no more than 2,500 houses in total – all development in the area must be included.
- Housing and support infrastructure should be positioned so as to conform to the Inspector's Report and the adopted Core Strategy.
- There should be a single unified area set aside for nature and recreation (SANG) between Shinfield and Spencers Wood, as shown in the Core Strategy, which would benefit residents and make for a richer habitat for wildlife. Also, being protected from development in future, it would serve to preserve the green gap between Shinfield and Spencers Wood.
- A new community hub providing sports, leisure and community facilities is part of the plans. The Ryeish Green school site is located in a prime position in the middle of the SDL area. It would be cheaper and easier to renovate an existing sports and recreational establishment rather than build a new one.
- We already have a village centre around School Green in Shinfield. It would be better to enhance this than to build a new neighbourhood centre to the west.
- Members of the Development Consortium should not be the only landowners to benefit.
- The new purpose-built public transport route across the central green gap is unnecessary and would open up green fields for yet more development.
- The people of Shinfield wrote over 300 letters on the previous consultation, which seem to have been largely ignored. WBC must show they can listen to residents' views.

The council suggests that you use some of these topics to form the basis of your own comments. If you have other objections, include those too. Write in your own words.

This is your last chance to let WBC know what you think about their latest proposals for 2,500 new houses in our area, if not up to 3,000!

We urge you to submit your comments before 5pm on Tuesday 21st December by letter or email to:

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