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*(re Local Plan SPH1/SA42/p184 - proposal to build 24 housing units on Fords Grove Car Park)*

*THIS IS A RE-SUBMISSION OF MY EMAIL OF 5 SEPTEMBER - WITH ADDITION OF MY FULL POSTAL ADDRESS*

I write as a resident of Farm Road to express my concern and dismay at this proposal to build on Fords Grove Car Park.

In 2016, when the cycleway was being driven through our streets, the council accepted the need to mitigate 14 of the 56 on-street parking spaces in Winchmore Hill Broadway. This was in recognition of the negative impact the cycleway would have on local businesses.

In the intervening years the car park has remained a local amenity, even more vital as now the coming of the 456 bus route has increased controls on parking for residents, visitors and local businesses.

Residents who do not have off-road parking (and there are many - including myself and immediate neighbours on either side) are being squeezed and pressurised by heavier volumes of traffic down this narrow and winding road. Increasing pressure is put on any trade vehicles trying to park close at hand.

The development of Capitol House into housing stock has taken several years and has had a negative impact on the quality of life for residents living in its shadow. The prospect of living three doors away from another building site in future years will bring more noise pollution and further erode the safety of pedestrians and motorists alike.

In the 33 years of my residence in Farm Road, Winchmore Hill I have seen Councils come and go. Some policies have been enlightened, others less so. I urge you to reconsider this ill-conceived proposal and put it out of its misery before the final plan is formulated.