

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 19/0646/FUL

Address: GreggsGould RoadTwickenhamTW2 6RT

Proposal: Demolition of existing buildings (with retention of single dwelling) and redevelopment of the site to provide up to 116 residential units and 175sq.m commercial floorspace; landscaped areas; with associated parking and highways works and other works associated with the development.

Comments Made By

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Comments

Type of comment: Make a general observation

Comment: Too many buildings (Building F seems far too high) and not a tree to be planted !

I understand the depressingly predictable commercial need to cram in and stack high residential housing on this site (and only 8 of 116 residential units allocated for social housing) but considering this was listed by the council as LP 42 Locally Important Industrial Land and Business Parks, the 175m2 of commercial space in a lone ugly building stuck on the end at Edwin road seems a derisory gesture.

Part of the character and history of this area and community has been /is the mixture of residential and business spaces.

During our 16 years in the area we have had constant inquiries from people looking for small practical work type premises.

People might sacrifice a car for a tiny studio space in the garage (as the developers helpfully point out) but it is unlikely to be those of young working age as I doubt they would be able to afford the price of the house.

Would this not have been an opportunity to include some proper small (and yes affordable) studio /workshop spaces to encourage start ups even a hub type mix?

More opportunities for people to live and work locally, rather than just adding to the ever expanding dormitory suburb nature of much of Greater London.

... but that then requires subsidy and vision....and not just commercial profitso completely unrealistic in 2019 London.... off to buy a euromillions lottery ticket...