

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 19/0646/FUL

Address: Greggs Gould Road Twickenham TW2 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: Object to the proposal

Comment: PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR OBJECTIONS HAVE ALSO BEEN SUBMITTED IN A LETTER FROM FIONA JONES of CAMERON JONES PLANNING on behalf of 4, 6, 8, 10 & 12 GOULD ROAD, sent by email on 5 April 2019 – the content of which is copied in our online submissions.

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Highways/parking issues (cont.)

Paragraph 2.7 of the Design & Access Statement states that “The nearest bus stop is 5 minutes’ walk south of the site with three bus connections to various locations in Richmond.” The existing bus stop to the south referred to in the Transport Assessment (TA) (GL) is on a narrow pavement immediately outside Sainsburys. This bus stop is on an already over-congested narrow strip of pavement which is also frequently parked on at the bus stop location by delivery vehicles for Sainsburys. Stop GL in fact currently only offers two direct routes to Richmond (H22 & 490), and TFL have recently been consulting on changes to bus services from Twickenham, which would include termination of the H22 route in Twickenham. If these changes go ahead there will only be one direct service to Richmond from stop (GL), with other routes requiring changes in the centre of Twickenham. Most locals actually end up going to bus stops further into Twickenham (stop GP) on Heath Road, at a 8-10 minute walk from the site to the east. This is served by more bus routes and does currently offer three direct services to Richmond (R70, H22 & 490), however, this will reduce to two if the H22 route is to terminate in Twickenham.

This proposed housing development with limited car parking spaces (it is assumed to encourage use of public transport) will put a huge pressure on the bus routes and train services which are already over-crowded.

Existing bus services are already heavily overcrowded at key commute times, and particularly poorly served for pupil commutes to school.

The TA confirms that the proposals will not lead to increases in traffic and will not impact upon parking in the surrounding area in accordance with Policy LP8 and LP44 and concludes “the proposals will not impact negatively upon the area or create conditions prejudicial to the transport network, highway safety or neighbouring amenity”. The TA assessed the trip generation from a factory in Brent and did not use data from this Greggs site.

We request that the Highways department carefully assess the proposal for construction traffic to use Andover/Gould Road as one of its two access ways and the Gould Road/Crane Road entrance as one of the two entrances to the site. This is due to the clear unsuitability of the road and an entrance for that purpose, and the fact that the Council itself has

already erected a sign at the Meadway and of the road saying that the road ahead is unsuitable for large vehicles.