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36 Ashleigh Road

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The Planning Department
The London Borough of Richmond Upon Thames
Civic Centre
York Street
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Dear Sirs

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- There is still no cohesive plan regarding the provision of public transport to take residents to and from places of work. TFL are constantly cutting their surface provision as outlined by Leon Daniels (CEO TFL Surface) and are not increasing bus provision currently.
- The traffic in the area has now increased to unworkable levels following the closure of Hammersmith Bridge. If there were to be works on Chalker's Corner at the same time as Hammersmith Bridge is closed, you will make the residents lives around Mortlake High Street and the Upper Richmond Road intolerable it is already impossible to move around this area. The bigger picture must be looked at before changes are made. We are currently locked-in to our own streets at peak times and weekends. There is no plan for easing the Mortlake High Street / Sheen Lane round-about which is constantly abused by frustrated drivers and traffic is grid-locked.
- The proposed removal of mature trees and the grass verge outside of Chertsey
 Court is tragic and can never be replaced. This should be stopped to continue to
 protect the air quality, proximity to traffic and noise of these residents who
 appear not be considered what so ever.

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- The density of the development has not been addressed to any level that is acceptable, working outside of the original levels set in the consultation you had with the residents.
- The removal of the green space (playing field) will totally change the area, this
 green space should be protected at all costs. I would you like to know your views
 on why it shouldn't.
- Creating a school in such a small area for so many pupils has not been thought
 through given that other secondary level schools in the area are not full.
 Richmond Park Academy appear to be very open to expansion and support this
 better use of public funds, rather than investing in a school that has supporting
 evidence of its need or viability.
- The affordable housing has not been included in Phase 1, which means that the
 developer has an easy way of climbing down from their commitment to it –
 Battersea Power Station is a good example of this happening. The must be
 included earlier in the build.
- There is no change to the proposed layout of the development regarding the façade of Mortlake High Street and how the buildings proposed there do not open up the whole area as originally proposed in the consultation – you will be allowing an unapproachable part of the development in the heart of our community.
- I am appalled how long it has taken you to <u>not</u> consider the points raised by residents to the original application. Surely having spent all that time you have a very good idea of the issues raised by residents as a whole, and it is unacceptable that you have considered the views of residents not at all important.

We all wish for a brewery development that enhances our community, that is well supported by infrastructure. None of us are enjoying the ghost brewery, nor do we wish for the over-dense development proposed.

Yours faithfully

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