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- This proposed development represents a very significant over-development of the site in what is recognised as an essentially low-scale, low density sub-urban setting.*
- In many areas the proposals do not comply with the Adopted Planning Brief for the site in terms of height, scale and massing. This is particularly so in the north west area of the site where the blocks are very high and over-dominating in scale. In the eastern sections of the site several of the blocks are over-bearing in relation to the riverside, towpath and High St. Clearly new housing is required in London, and Richmond needs to provide its share but the scheme is too dense.*
- The loss of the existing sports fields is in direct contravention of the Planning Brief and is wholly unacceptable, with its hard all-weather multi-use games area (MUGA), surfaces, fencing and floodlighting. The protected sports fields are designated as 'Other Open Land of Townscape Importance (OOLTI), and should be retained for community use. The fields also represent important visual Townscape resource for local residents and the wider community. The space is not re-provisioned in the scheme design proposals by any stretch of the imagination.*
- Genuine open amenity space provided in the scheme proposals (circa 25%), is lower than the base provision in the Planning Brief (circa 28% - Sports Fields and Green Link).*
- This site is uniquely and significantly constrained by the river Thames to the north and the level crossings on the Richmond/Waterloo line. This places huge pressure on Sheen Lane and the only other access routes of Mortlake High St and the Lower Richmond Rd. The proposed cumulative scale of the development and high parking provisions combined with general day-to-day access traffic will create unbearable congestion on both the roads and local infrastructure.*
- The introduction of a huge secondary school adds to the local access pressures and will exacerbate safety risks at the Mortlake level crossing.*

*Additional building on this vast scale will only add to the traffic congestion which is already unacceptable caused in part by the closure of Hammersmith Bridge and the chronic mismanagement of the level crossing and the fact the area is at saturation point in terms of traffic.*

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- The Viability Assessment appears unrealistic, only supporting a very low affordable housing allocation. Affordable provisions should also be spread over the whole site and not concentrated in one area/block or zone.*
- The Chalker's Corner proposals, required to mitigate against the vast scale of the development proposals, will simply attract more traffic. The road works, loss of mature trees and loss of residents' external space is wholly unacceptable. The proposed*

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