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From: John Repsch [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 May 2018 13:23 ✓
To: StagBreweryRedevelopment
Subject: Planning Development: 18/0549/FUL

110 Chertsey Court,
Clifford Avenue,
Mortlake,
SW14 7BX

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Dear Sir,

Subject to this planning proposal for the following reasons:

1. The trees provide a barrier protecting Chertsey Court from air pollution. Richmond & Twickenham Friends of the Earth installed two diffusion tubes last summer. One was located on Lower Richmond Road and the other was 50 - 60 feet away inside the estate's grounds. After three weeks they measured 61.74 micrograms per cubic metre and 30.2 respectively. Already Chalkers Corner is over 50% higher than EU limits.
2. Removal of the trees and the expansion of the junction would undermine residents' well-being, especially children and elderly. In effect this would be putting commercial interests before people's health and would invite litigation.
3. The trees and shrubs reduce the noise of vehicles hooting frequently to encourage others to turn left off the A316 and into Lower Richmond Road.
4. The Apex corner is a much-loved amenity for residents sunbathing and having picnics. It contains some of the estate's oldest trees.
5. The trees and shrubs provide a natural aspect that helps counteract the urban sight and activity of one of South West London's busiest junctions.
6. This plan would add to Lower Richmond Road's congestion - especially at its self-created bottleneck - and make it harder for Chertsey Court's motorists to exit from the estate.
7. The replacement trees that developers are offering would take at least 20 years to reach the size of those there now.
8. Expanding Chalkers Corner into Chertsey Court's grounds would increase the volume of traffic - including 20-tonne lorries - bringing it closer to the flats and adding to the risk of road accidents.

9. Instead of improving people's health, this development could add to the 9,500 Londoners who die annually because of poor air quality - especially on windless days when air pollution hangs around.

10. Chertsey Court is in an area designated as 'Other Openland of Townscape Importance' and is in an 'Air Quality Focus Area': if these two designations are ignored as protectors, they might as well be scrapped.

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