

## Comment on a planning application

### Application Details

**Application:** 20/1496/FUL

**Address:** Harrodian School Lonsdale Road Barnes London SW13 9QN

**Proposal:** Erection of a two storey with basement level sports and cultural centre on the current tennis courts site and associated hard and soft landscaping. Relocation of the tennis courts to the current sports pitch. 2 x one storey changing rooms with shower and WC facilities to the east of the current car park. Proposed boundary treatments and hardstanding for access from the car park.

### Comments Made By

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### Comments

**Type of comment:** Object to the proposal

**Comment:** I strongly object to this application based on the points outlined below:

- 1) Traffic generated during key drop-off / pick-up times has always been disruptive in the local area. If this application were successful, this would increase disruption in the surrounding roads: Lowther Road, Suffolk Road, Belgrave Road, Parke Road and Ferry Road. Increased traffic, air and noise pollution are but a few of some consequences that would lead to serious implications on the health and safety of both students and local neighbours.
- 2) As the application plans to make the facility accessible to the general public, perhaps the school could re-direct their energy in investing in pre-existing institutions such as the Barnes Sports Club which is situated approximately 500 meters from the school grounds. This could potentially foster a better relationship between the school and local community.
- 3) Environmental damage: Given the present climate and environmental emergency, developing on a green-field site should not take precedence on the development of the school. Harrodian school could be more innovative in the way they use their existing facilities in championing the sports and arts.
- 4) The access point from Lonsdale Road is perfectly suitable has sufficient capacity. I reject the justification of an access route to be developed on Lowther Road for 'security reasons'. Barnes is an incredibly safe area and has amongst the lowest crime rates in the Borough of Richmond Upon Thames, let alone the rest of London. If anything, developing an access route on Lowther Road could create security concerns in the Barnes community if this application were successful.