Reference: FS421365347

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 22/0900/OUT

Address: The Stag BreweryLower Richmond RoadMortlakeLondonSW14 7ET

Proposal: Hybrid application to include:1. Demolition of existing buildings (except the Maltings and the façade of the Bottling Plant and former Hotel), walls, associated structures, site clearance and groundworks, to allow for the comprehensive phased redevelopment of the site:2. Detailed application for the works to the east side of Ship Lane which comprise:a. Alterations and extensions to existing buildings and erection of buildings varying in height from 3 to 9 storeys plus a basement of one to two storeys below ground to allow for residential apartments; flexible use floorspace for retail, financial and professional services, café/restaurant and drinking establishment uses, offices, non-residential institutions and community use and boathouse; Hotel / public house with accommodation; Cinema and Offices.b. New pedestrian, vehicle and cycle accesses and internal routes, and associated highway worksc. Provision of on-site cycle, vehicle and servicing parking at surface and basement leveld. Provision of public open space, amenity and play space and landscapinge. Flood defence and towpath worksf. Installation of plant and energy equipment3. Outline application, with all matters reserved for works to the west of Ship Lane which comprise:a. The erection of a single storey basement and buildings varying in height from 3 to 8 storeysb. Residential developmentc. Provision of on-site cycle, vehicle and servicing parkingd. Provision of public open space, amenity and play space and landscapinge. New pedestrian, vehicle and cycle accesses and internal routes, and associated highways works.

Comments Made By

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: I object to the scale and density of the proposals, which continue to ignore the very severe transport issues of the site, which are not going to be resolved. By ignoring these issues the developer, if allowed to proceed with these plans, would impose an absolutely unacceptable increase in traffic congestion's and pressure on public transport in the Sheen, Mortlake and Barnes area. This is unacceptable to existing residents, who already suffer from appalling pollution and congestion along the Upper Richmond Road and Mortlake High Street, exacerbated by the Hammersmith Bridge issue, which has not clear end in sight.

This development is one of three developments proposed within a few mile of each other, and all using the same transport infrastructure, Barnes Hospital, Stag Brewery and Manor Lane. Richmond Council must take a joined up view of these issues and reduce the size and density of each to something realistic and sustainable for our area.

Although the developer has reduced the height of the blocks of the development, forced to do so by the Mayor's refusal to approve their previous proposal, it is still too high and out of keeping with the nature of the area. The previous proposal's suggestion (in the Mayor's review meeting and I paraphrase) that tower blocks would constitute a "new village heart" simply shows how out of touch the developer is with the character of Mortlake and the feelings of existing residents. The developer should not be allowed to vandalise the character of this historic segment of the Arcadian Thames, the essential character of which should be preserved. A lower rise, lower density development is needed with proper comprehensive transport plans. Extra money for buses is of no use if buses cannot move because of the traffic congestion, and the developer should not be allowed to get away with the fiction that their transport infrastructure proposals are adequate. They are not..