

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 22/0902/FUL

Address: The Stag Brewery Lower Richmond Road Mortlake London SW14 7ET

Proposal: Erection of a three-storey building to provide a new secondary school with sixth form; sports pitch with floodlighting, external MUGA and play space; and associated external works including landscaping, car and cycle parking, new access routes and other associated works

Comments Made By

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: The loss of the historic Watneys playing fields at the Mortlake Brewery site would be a major loss of amenity for this area and for the borough as a whole and will add to the blight caused by the huge housing development at the Brewery. The playing fields have been used by junior sports clubs and for community fairs and events and could be retained for managed community use. The proposed Secondary school to be built on this green space, is in the view of independent experts deeply flawed as it is based on outdated demographic projections that bear no relation to the position on the ground. Other secondary schools servicing the area are struggling to fill their classrooms. A much better proposal is to re-locate the Thomson House Primary School which is currently in an inadequate and somewhat dangerous location by the level crossing to the Brewery site. Its smaller footprint would allow for the retention of the playing field for both school use and community use outside school hours.