Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 22/0902/FUL

Address: The Stag BreweryLower Richmond RoadMortlakeLondonSW14 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 planning application includes a new secondary school on the site. This is a concern for the existing secondary schools in the area, especially Christ, RPA and Chiswick. Another secondary school would take pupils and funding away from the existing schools. I don't believe the area has sufficient students to support a further secondary school and funding would be better spent on improving / expanding the existing provision.

Smaller catchment areas have the benefit that the school's pupils represent the community its in and ensure a closer school community. If there are too many places, this will mean more out of borough students at all schools with a less engaged school community.

In addition, my understanding is that the newly proposed school does not seem to have sufficient space allocated to it to fulfill the DfE guidelines and take away from the community green space, which will surely be required considering the increased number of residents from the development.