

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

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: The Mortlake Brewery Community Group has shown that the number of children living in the east part of Richmond does not merit an additional secondary school. The Borough predicted a school would be needed by 2021/22 when the decision to have a school was made, these numbers have not materialised, as Mortlake Brewery Community Group predicted. Numbers are falling each year, there are not enough students to fill three secondary schools. In addition, if these schools are to have a sixth form, they need at least eight forms of entry to be viable.

The space allowed for the school is inadequate. It does not conform to DfE guidelines. There would be no outside space for students, essential for their wellbeing.

The school would increase the volume of traffic significantly, and with that the already dangerously high level of pollution, to which the students would be subjected each day. There is not the transport infrastructure for an influx of children all at once, buses are at a standstill already during rush hours.

Thomson House School is dangerously sited either side of the Sheen Lane level crossing, and the building housing the later years has no outside space. It would be beneficial to include Thomson House School within the development, in a safer space, generating little traffic and allowing for outdoor playspace.

Please reject this plan. It is damaging to the whole site, it is not needed, it is inadequate, Thomson House School should move.