

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: As a resident who lives very close to the site, I wish to object to the proposals for a new Secondary School on the Stag Brewery development site and I strongly support all the views put forward by the Mortlake Brewery Community Group. I have already submitted my comments on the overall proposals for the site under planning ref. 22/0900/OUT. In relation to the Secondary School my comments are as follows:

SCHOOL

The proposed large secondary school is simply not required, and future school place needs could be satisfied at existing local secondary schools in line with the Community Plan' put forward by the Mortlake Brewery Community Group. The Council leadership has continued to ignore their alternative Plan, despite it representing a more sustainable solution.

The siting of the school requires the loss of the existing protected sports fields. This precious green space is simply not re- provided over the rest of the site as demanded by planning policy. The school site is also woefully undersized for 1150 pupils with simply too little outdoor space, significantly below Department for Education Guidelines for new sites.

Including a new secondary school on the site will substantially increase the use of the crossing at Mortlake station by pedestrians as well as traffic. The existence the Thomson House Primary School at that crossing creates a significant risk of an accident happening at this crossing to school children as well as adults. This risk will only increase still further if the new secondary school is built on the Brewery site. It would make far greater sense to dispense with the secondary school and relocate the Thomson House Primary School from its current inappropriate site to the new development.