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Subject: Stag Brewery Development Plans

This message is regarding the two most recent planning applications submitted by the Stag Brewery for re-development.

We support the plan to redevelop the original brewery buildings into a mix of retail and residential apartments and to connect the Mortlake high street through to the river with planted green pathways.

We believe the buildings should not be allowed to be too tall, possibly reduced by one level further than existing plans. It does not make sense to reduce the size of the underground parking - this will just mean that more people end up driving around trying to find somewhere to park when it is full. It will not serve to reduce the number of cars attempting to park, it will just create more road congestion. Some people just need to use a car sometimes, a family with a young children plus a baby, elderly people, disabled etc and a safe way to travel late at night if on your own.

We strongly object to the proposal for the secondary school. We believe there is no need for a secondary school to be positioned on the site. Within the development you are planning social housing, these are likely to house young families or single people, not the right demographic for secondary school students.

A secondary school will create a minefield of social issues, which are likely to be centred right under Chiswick Bridge, where alcohol and no doubt drugs will be consumed or made available, which will make the whole area dangerous for everyone else, and contradicts the whole 'conservation area' which the council and local house owners all support, coping with litter and increased anti-social behaviour etc.

If the secondary school is forced through, despite its unpopularity, we wonder what support will be provided by the council to properly police this area and make sure it is safe for all? Has this been taken into consideration? Currently a lot of graffiti is sprayed under the bridge, whatever the outcome surely it would be a good place for cameras to be installed as a deterrent here and also to capture whoever is doing this?

A lot of local feedback has been given that the proposed school site should be allocated to relocate the aged current Thomson House junior school, which seems much more suited to the location, with local parents arriving by foot. Surely this combined with an outstanding childcare facility would be a wonderful combination, to support parents from lower paid jobs so they are able to work knowing that their children have the one of the best child support systems in London? Much more practical than a secondary school with all the issues of transport, anti social behaviour etc caused with a large concentration of teenagers looking for somewhere to go and 'hang' outside of school hours.

We also strongly object to the reduction in size of the existing historical playing field. This should not be tampered with in any way. It should be improved with a low hedgerow surrounding, to create more urban hedgerows again, which is what we all know is desperately needed to connect the biodiversity within our environment. Additional trees would also further enhance this area. It is a terrible idea to dig up this field and replace parts of it with astroturf etc - please lets be environmentally friendly in every way possible!

I do hope you will listen to the responses and needs that have been voiced by the local community who live in this area, and make the appropriate decisions to create a fabulous, safe area for those currently living here and for all the future generations who will want to live in Mortlake with the right support systems in place for them.

Thank you for your consideration.

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