

## Comment on a planning application

### Application Details

**Application:** 22/2204/FUL

**Address:** St Clare Business Park And7 - 11 Windmill RoadHampton Hill

**Proposal:** Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 1no. mixed use building between three and five storeys plus basement in height, comprising 98no. residential flats (Class C3) and 1,172sq.m of commercial floorspace (Class E); 1no. three storey building comprising 893sq.m of commercial floorspace (Class E); 14no. residential houses (Class C3); and, associated access, external landscaping and car parking.

### Comments Made By

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### Comments

**Type of comment:** Object to the proposal

**Comment:** This scheme is about making the right choices throughout the design process. Notting Hill Home Ownership Ltd are making the wrong choices and Richmond Council should take note of the consistent and coherent objections by local residents and resist giving planning permission at this stage.

Re-development of the site makes sense but the current proposals make no sense. The National Design Guide (ministry of housing, communities, and local government) states that developers should understand the local sense of place and identity and should understand the scale and proportion of buildings. Paragraph 71 of the guide states proposals for tall buildings require special consideration which includes; the impact on local character, views and sight lines; composition and environmental impacts, such as sunlight and daylight. None of this is in evidence so far.

The current plans for development are simply, and grossly, out of scale with the receiving townscape. The impact on traffic and parking in the locality is a real concern as is the impact on schools and healthcare locally.

There are serious safety concerns on the local roads in a locality that has a junior school, a nursery, a community centre, a local recreation site and a scout headquarters. There are existing concerns regarding access of emergency vehicles in the locality.

Notting Hill Home Ownership Ltd needs to act on the concerns that relate to scale, road safety, and wellbeing, voiced by the local community. It's time for Notting Hill Home Ownership Ltd to come up with a coherent plan that makes the right choices to meet the needs of local residents, the need for affordable housing, and the need for the development of a predominantly vacant brownfield site that we can all be proud of.