

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.

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: Continued

The Commercial Building would have 267 floor-ceiling windows on the side elevation facing West. Many of these are very close to and will look over the Library Mews block, the Old Fire Station/Library and the private gardens and pathway of 21, 21a, 23, 23a, 23b Windmill Road, creating an immense overbearing and loss of privacy to those homes. Whilst on the East facing elevation a red bricked, slab-sided tall wall, with its 24 tiny long shallow windows, is nothing short of ugly and not compatible with the surrounding buildings! This tall wall, will be the first thing anyone will see as they walk down Windmill Road, from the High Street, blocking any views of the South side of Windmill Road and dwarfing the surrounding buildings.

The extreme height of this building would create a loss of light to the Library Mews block, the Old Fire Station/Library and 15 - 23b Windmill Road especially during the winter months.

Overall

Design Access Statement 3534993pdf 7.2, D and Site Section 2 3535047pdf on the left of the diagram: This diagram perfectly highlights how over shadowed and enclosed our row of terrace houses, 21 -23b Windmill Road, would. With the Northern Terrace 21m away from our windows, the 5-Storey building behind those. Then the commercial building with floor to ceiling windows looking straight into our private gardens. All of the new buildings would stand more than twice as high as the current buildings and our relatively open views would severely curtailed. The same would be for the Library Mews block.

Considering this is supposed to be a new application there are still photographs and diagrams that are out of date eg: the four Leylandii trees bordering the Northern Terrace, which are still on every diagram, were taken down in 2019. And the scruffy Tyre Repair shop, is now a very neat car showroom.