

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: The main objection to this scheme is the same as the previous application. Namely the mass height and density of the scheme. These objections were raised at the last planning committee meeting by residents and councillors, including councillors on the committee of the meeting. However, for some reason these objections did not make their way on to the formal decision notice.

It is quite evident that the scale of the development is completely out of keeping with the village character of Hampton Hill. There is complete non compliance with the council's own planning guidelines which states that, in the designated villages of the Richmond Borough, building heights should not exceed three storeys. Hampton Hill is one of these designated villages and the planning guidelines are there to protect the appearance and character of the village. The people who live in Hampton Hill move to and/or continue to live there because they want to be in a village environment and know that they have the protection of the Borough's own planning guidelines to sustain the environment in which they live and protect it from over ambitious developers.

As well as changing the character of Hampton Hill village it will have a huge impact on the privacy of many surrounding houses.

I am not against development of the site per se but it needs to be of a scale that is appropriate and sympathetic to the village.