

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 22/3004/FUL

Address: Kneller Hall Royal Military School Of Music Kneller Road Twickenham TW2 7DU

Proposal: The demolition of existing modern buildings on the site and the conversion of and extensions to Kneller Hall and other ancillary buildings associated with the former royal military music school to a day school (Use Class F1), together with the construction of associated new purpose-built buildings including teaching space, indoor sports facilities, sporting pavilion and forest school building. Alterations to the existing playing fields, to include an all weather pitch with fencing, flood lighting to existing tennis courts, sustainability measures and re-turfing. Provision of a new access from Whitton Dene, and other ancillary works including parking areas, hard and soft landscaping, lighting, access alterations and energy centre. Internal and external alterations to Kneller Hall and the curtilage listed buildings to facilitate the day school use, including demolition and rebuilding of single storey extension to the west wing of Kneller Hall, extension to the Band Practice Hall and re-opening of Whitton Dene site entrance.

Comments Made By

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: Although I am in favour of the school I am concerned by the lack of proper data in the impact on traffic in the local area. I am very concerned by the proposal to reopen the entrance on Whitton Dene, a heavily congested area. The opening of that entrance to staff and deliveries will make that area even more dangerous for pedestrians. During rush hour there are hundreds of children walking to the three local primary schools, you also have hundreds of students travelling to secondary school on foot and by bike. It is already a risky area due to cars overtaking the buses and having to mount the pavement to allow the bus to go through. Adding a busy entrance will make this, already risky, stretch of road an accident waiting to happen. I am also concerned by the lack of parking for staff. The expectation being they will travel by bike or public transport. However if this expectation isn't met where will they park? Parking in the surrounding roads is at a premium as it is. Add an extra 100+ staff vehicles will cause massive negative impact on the residents. Not to mention additional emissions in an already overly polluted area.

I would welcome more consideration be given to the impact of travel to the school on the local area.