

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: Support the proposal

Comment: The committee at Whitton Tennis Club fully support the proposal to convert Kneller Hall Royal Military school into a secondary school teaching establishment. The tennis club is situated on the northern perimeter of Kneller Hall grounds. The north perimeter has been allowed to run a bit wild over the last 15 years with a profusion of massive ash and sycamore trees running west/east along the site of the old watercourse of Whitton Brook formerly Birket's Brook. These trees cause the club a lot of trouble. With new management we hope that this aspect of Kneller Hall will become a lot tidier in the next few years.

New sports facilities will be very beneficial for the local community. The existing tennis courts will be refurbished and hopefully receive the added benefit of floodlights, which will be a massive help to people who wish to play tennis after 3/4/5pm during the winter months. At WTC we only have 1 court that is floodlit, our members would greatly benefit from the extra hours that 2 floodlit courts would provide. It would be very good to see people making use of sports facilities when the normal onset of winter stop these activities from taking place outside.