Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 22/3004/FUL

Address: Kneller Hall Royal Military School Of MusicKneller RoadTwickenhamTW2 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: Re-opening the entrance on Whitton Dene would be dangerous and would put local residents (particularly school children), pupils, and staff at risk. The road is narrow with cars parked on one side of the street and numerous blind spots due to the way the road bends. Cars struggle to fit as it is, and it is also a busy bus route, with a bus stop opposite the entrance. It simply does not have the capacity to handle additional traffic, particularly cars trying to manoeuvre in and out of the entrance during rush hour.

I am also concerned about the impact on parking availability in the surrounding streets. This (staff and pupils parking off-site) is acknowledged as a possibility in the application.