

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 22/0902/FUL

Address: The Stag Brewery Lower Richmond Road Mortlake London SW14 7ET

Proposal: Erection of a three-storey building to provide a new secondary school with sixth form; sports pitch with floodlighting, external MUGA and play space; and associated external works including landscaping, car and cycle parking, new access routes and other associated works

Comments Made By

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: The site proposed for this huge school is not big enough. It will take all the available land and leave no natural grass play area, leaving Mortlake Green the only areas for families to play. The proposed green areas in Application A are small and piecemeal and not play areas. I believe in such a large development it is crucial to have decent sized open spaces. Mortlake Green is hugely used and valued at the moment and yet these proposals double the population of our area. The original plan did include such a space. The case has not been made satisfactorily for the need for another secondary school on Richmond. As I understand it both Christchurch and Sheen Park want to expand to take extra pupils and do not support the idea of another secondary school. Thompson House is a very successful primary school in cramped quarters. When the children are arriving and leaving Sheen Lane crossing is dangerously overcrowded. If the Brewery Playing field goes they will have nowhere to have games lessons except Mortlake Green which is very busy already. A new primary school would leave some of the playing field for play and games and for other local use. Additional concerns are that the plans for a new secondary school will result in significant traffic generation. Due to the closure of Hammersmith Bridge - which hasn't been taken into account in the current plans - and the nearby level crossing that is closed for 40 minutes every hour, there is simply no doubt that an additional secondary school of this size lead to more traffic and therefore lead to anmore congestion, and potentially dangerous situations at the level crossing where pupils will be impatiently waiting and motorist are trying to push through during morning rush hour.