

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 23/1856/FUL

Address: The Boathouse Ranelagh Drive Twickenham TW1 1QZ

Proposal: Demolition of existing building and outbuildings to provide three residential dwellings including associated landscaping works, provision of parking and works to the public realm.

Comments Made By

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Comments

Type of comment: Make a general observation

Comment: My areas of concern relate to the categories:

Adequacy of parking/loading/turning

Highway safety

Traffic generation

I think further consideration of these 3 categories is of paramount importance in deciding whether the density of development is too high for this highly unusual site.

The volume of traffic exiting this property will increase significantly with 6 car parking spaces and no obvious turning place so the vehicles and delivery vehicles will be reversing out. Safety should not be compromised.

The impact on these 3 categories has not been adequately tested in recent times, relying on an older study relating to flats is considered adequate. This seems to be irresponsible. I have lived in this area for nearly 34 years and am very aware of the site and its limitations and the desire by the local community for an improvement.

This triangular site uniquely has traffic on 3 sides, though only one of these is vehicular. There is roadside parking opposite the site which is not regulated and can be used for long term stay. In addition when the riverside path reserved for pedestrians floods at high tide they must share the path behind the site.

This area already becomes quite congested at peak times of day when school children and commuters are walking or cycling around from Ranelagh Drive and / or the Lock Bridge along with walkers many with dogs. When commercial filming was taking place on the pavement by this development and the Lock Bridge in June it took 3 security operators to control the pedestrians and cyclists in the morning rush hour, when they had to hold passage for only 3 minutes.