

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 23/2401/FUL

Address: Land At Junction Of Roseleigh Close And Cambridge ParkCambridge ParkTwickenham

Proposal: Proposed development of 3no. maisonettes on land at Junction Of Roseleigh Close And Cambridge Park, Cambridge Park, East Twickenham

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: We object the proposal. Reasons are:

•Loss of light/overshadowing:

The height of proposed building is higher than pre-existed maisonettes bringing shadows and loss of light to surrounding properties specially to flats on Cambridge Park Road and on Roseleigh Close because building proposal boundaries are very close to them. Also there will be loss of light for the general area and roads.

•Overlooking/loss of privacy:

Residents on proposed building will be able to look down to other properties interiors on Roseleigh Close and Cambridge Park Road with a massive invasion of privacy.

•Visual amenity:

The proposal building has absolutely not to do with surrounding area and description is very poor computer generated with very few measurements. It looks heavy and bold. No one has terraces in the vicinity or large windows and conservatory. It looks like very intrusive visual pollution.

•Adequacy of parking/loading/turning:

It is a cul-de-sac and at the end of the Cambridge Park Road there is a footpath to the river. No free parking space around, so trucks with materials are likely to park in the middle of the road to loading/unloading blocking residents way.

•Highway safety & Traffic generation:

Being a cul-de-sac, how trucks and delivery vehicles plan access on this narrow road? The quiet area is a heaven for residents, surrounding residents and visitors that uses the area/road by foot, with children's scooters/bikes, buggies and cyclists with their bikes to access the riverside through Cambridge Park Footpath. Great danger for children who play around the estate and walk to their schools.

•Noise and disturbance of works:

Many residents are housebound, retired or working from home. There are many children in the area. The area is quiet day and night. There is no through traffic of vehicles. The noise disturbance with trucks and lorries up and down the cul-de-sac, new people in the area daily will add stress and disturbances for the time of construction which says 12-18 months but likely to be much much longer.

•Hazardous materials:

As said, many residents are housebound, retired or working from home and there are many children in the area. Fumes, dust and noises will be a pollution with health and mental health consequences.

•Loss of trees:

We should be thinking on preserving the mature trees we have instead of damaging it. The root system of the mature horse chestnuts around the plot is immense being deep and large in the plot area. They are likely to be damaged. Previous requests to reduce canopy were refused because they are protected and are of invaluable value.

•Layout and density of building:

Three maisonettes with 2/3 bedroom each and 3/4 floors including a basement and parking, 2 bin/bike sheds, wildflower meadow, conservatory area, grass area and pond(?) in a very small space looks quite forced.

- Design, appearance and materials:

It doesn't have any resemblance with pre existed maisonettes. It is ugly.

- Landscaping:

Doesn't follow the layout of the estate and surrounding buildings and it is unlikely to be maintained.

- Previous planning decisions:

There were a number of building proposal rejections in the past and Council should reject again this time. For this to stop forever, Richmond Council should declare this plot a nature conservation area to prevent further requests to destroy it.

- Nature conservation: Cambridge Park Estate is a Conservation Area and new buildings should not be approved within the area and adjacent of its limits. The space in question should never be used by people but by nature only in a unmanned way as it was allowed to do so. Fauna and flora have made this space their home over many years with many species using it for shelter, nursery and food. The greenery self-developed in the area(bushes, flowers and brambles)is vital for clean air for everyone.It is not abandoned!

There are lives in there, they must be preserved!