

## Comment on a planning application

### Application Details

**Application:** 23/1937/FUL

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

**Proposal:** Use of the existing buildings and land including erection of external film sets for film production operations and ancillary activities. (Refer to covering letter dated 23 August 2023 to understand how this application interacts with any future comprehensive redevelopment of the site).

### Comments Made By

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### Comments

**Type of comment:** Object to the proposal

**Comment:** CONSULTATION: Application 22/0900/OUT FORMER STAG BREWERY  
Amendments required to comply with new government fire regulations.  
I object to the new plans.

The site of the former Stag Brewery at Mortlake is in need of sympathetic re-development in character with the area and cognizant of the restrictions of the location. In my opinion, the amendments made to meet new government fire regulations leave unaddressed the major objections voiced by local communities since 2014, namely:

Density of housing: adding extra stair cases to the 8 & 9 storey buildings and adding more residential units above the cinema does not reduce the residential density of this over-developed site.  
65 units of social housing are unlikely to meet mayoral requirements.

Reducing residential parking by 15 spaces does not resolve the issue of where so many residents will park their cars. It is my opinion that residents will not give up the car because there is nowhere to park on site.

Local infrastructure: cannot accommodate the huge increase in population and traffic resulting from the overdevelopment of the site. The area is poorly served by public transport (buses) and the SW Trains timetable has been reduced. From Barnes village through Mortlake High Street out to Chalkers Corner the road carries heavy traffic and is frequently congested, even more so with the closure of Hammersmith Bridge. I have seen no plans to increase the bus service and there is no date for the re-opening of the bridge.

Conclusion: I am mystified and very concerned that Richmond Council has ignored its own planning requirements (maximum 7 storey buildings), permitted building heights that are detrimental to the historic Maltings building, sacrificed protected green space (the playing fields for a secondary school), accepted a very low percentage of affordable housing and ignored valid long-term local objections to the development of the former brewery. Moreover, I have seen no consideration of the wider context of proposed residential development: Barnes Hospital, Homebase, Kew Retail park resulting in massive population increase and the removal of retail facilities.