

## Comment on a planning application

### Application Details

**Application:** 23/3208/FUL

**Address:** St Catherines School Cross Deep Twickenham TW1 4QJ

**Proposal:** The proposed development is a new Music and Art Building, to improve the facilities at St Catherine's School. The existing single storey music building and 20th century extension to the Lodge are to be demolished, to make space for the new two storey building. The external areas will be improved, with new paving, planting and trees.

### Comments Made By

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### Comments

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

**Comment:** Concerns have been raised over the proposed construction of a new block near Cross Deep and the tunnel entrance to the Grotto. While the block has been moved further away, there are still crucial details missing from the construction statement regarding the structure and the use of mini cranes that could impact the listed Pope's Grotto. Additionally, the proposed construction access from Grotto Road raises concerns for the safety of pedestrians, cyclists, and other users of the road, as well as potential damage to properties and the road itself. The proposed limit of three construction vehicles per day for only 30 seconds seems unlikely and I doubt this will be adhered to by the builders, or suitably policed.

The protection of trees, particularly the silver birch, is also a concern as the widening of the proposed construction access would put it at great risk of damage and loss. These factors must be properly addressed in the application if it is to be considered for approval. If these concerns are not addressed, the application should be refused.