

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: Damage to the foundation and the buildings along Grotto Road will result from overloading. These structures are not built to withstand this kind of loading. Before submitting an application for a Council permit, St Catherine must consent and make upfront compensation arrangements with Grotto road residents. They must immediately send a surveyor to my building, and the buildings of my neighbours to evaluate the current state of our properties. Following that, it is required to set up a monitoring system and an assessment of the structure (my house walls, the garden wall, garage structures, etc.) in order to prevent overloading and damage to the structure from heavy vehicle loads. The inhabitants then will be informed of any foundation damage on a monthly basis. By this way, we can monitor and realistically know about the possible settlement, foundation and structural damages over time.

6- Loss of a family home and impact on employment and income :

Due to mortality risks, and less than 1 meter distance to heavy construction traffic, the high risk of collision to my family home combined with the vibration and ground movements fear (earthquake impact) on young children, the disturbance of family life and children sleeping pattern, the detrimental impact on the overall residents sleeping patterns, loss of income due to noise and disturbance for home workers will be irrepressible.

7-Human Rights Considerations

St Catherine proposal violates Article 1 of the Human Rights Act 1998 and Article 8 which states that everyone has the right to respect for private and family life, home and correspondence. Article 8 also states that there shall be no interference by a public authority with the exercise of this right except as in accordance with the law and is necessary in a democratic society in the interests of national security, public safety or the economic well-being of the country, for the prevention of disorder or crime, for the protection of health or morals, or for the protection of the rights and freedoms of others. The Council shall take account and balance the rights of the St Catherine Business against the general interests of the public and surrounding area .The plan violates the Human Rights Act and would restrict my and local residents freedom of movement.

8- Negative effect on character and Appearance (detailed in previous letter)

9- Traffic generation and increased pressure on existing car parking/ ULEZ: The plan involves a change of use on the traffic hence will create blockage and chaos on the neighbouring roads and streets. The impact will be severe delays and blockages at Heath`s Road and King`s Street for 12-18 months period. Twickenham is now proposed to be apart of ULEZ and promotes the clean air and quality of lives. The proposed plan indicates the increase of non electrical , diesel, and fossil fuelled vehicles usage (over 1000), and the construction workers private cars within an ULEZ area contradicts Council`s sustainability and environment protection goals.

10-Negative Effect on Nature: The damage to nature, and effects of the development on endangered or protected animal species included in the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations of 2017. The propose plan doesn't include any survey for the biodiversity, and the trees (silver birch tree within the proposal site.

11- Lack of Environmental damage control measures

12- The legal obligation of the St Catherine to instruct construction workers and employers on how to use the means of

transfer: False statements were given on the proposal which mislead the Council and the residents.