

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 24/1492/FUL

Address: 42 High Street Teddington TW11 8ES

Proposal: Demolition of existing building and erection of new building comprising basement, ground and three upper floors (including roof storey), to provide 8 residential flats (Class C3) and up to two retail units (Class E).

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: 1. The proposal includes two retail units - no doubt to improve its chance of winning permission - but it is unlikely that the units will get taken up - so will likely remain empty for a long time.
2. The previous application was for restaurant use on the ground floor - which would have been more suitable but people objected.
3. It would now be worth considering whether the whole building should be made residential. No doubt this would contradict the local plan, but things have changed dramatically for high streets and some of the units in them have to become residential.
4. The architecture proposed is abysmal - it is neither good quality pastiche (to fit with adjacent buildings) nor good modern architecture.
The building looks cheap - perhaps even 'cheap and nasty'.

Just because the former HSBC building is an eyesore does not mean that anything will do