

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 24/1984/VRC

Address: 68 Station Road Hampton TW12 2AX

Proposal: Variation of planning approval 19/2822/FUL - Variation of conditions 2 (approved drawings/documents), 19 (Green Roof and Solar Panels), 39 (Wildflower Green Roof), 40 (obscure glazing), 41 (balcony screen), of planning permission 19/2822/FUL dated 12 May 2023 for Retention and refurbishment of the former police station building with part demolition of rear wings and ancillary buildings, and the construction of a three storey side and rear extension and basement to form a registered care home comprising 22 care suites and 66 care bed units, with shared facilities, car and cycle parking, landscaping and ancillary works (as amended by LPA Ref. 24/1512/NMA).

Comments Made By

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: It is difficult to learn that Richmond Council Planning have taken no notice of the 100 plus objections submitted to the previous application for this development ref: 19/2822/FUL. I posted 4 comments ref FS150297622 on 14-Oct-2019; FS174626161 on 13-Feb-2020; FS 179972922 on 03-Mar-2020 and FS 206307562 on 12-May-2020. I am copying below my 5th comment ref FS320108662 dated 26-Mar-2021 which I believe are still relevant and unaddressed in this latest application

I am lodging another objection to this application because it doesn't seem to be moving. The applicant keeps submitting amendments and addenda to the original planning application but I don't see any of the concerns raised by numerous local residents being addressed.

The parking was partly addressed but the concession for extra parking spaces in an earlier amendment was derisory considering there could be up to 150 people located on this site from 89 plus residents, 44 staff, visitors, ancillary workers, medical services and trades people. The developer must recognise that there is NO capacity to absorb on-street parking in adjacent roads for these people, or in fact for construction workers' cars, vans and lorries.

There has been no consideration for the residents of Queen's Bench whose properties are still overshadowed by the height of the building and their homes will be overlooked by too many windows on the east elevation. They also have to suffer the close proximity of the rubbish storage, inflicting them with odours and frequent noise from the depositing and emptying of refuse.

The development is still too large for the size of the site with questionably high density occupation. Clearly this development is all about maximising the income by trying to squeeze a quart into a pint pot on this over-sized project. In the last year we have witnessed the speed with which the Covid 19 Virus has spread through care homes with devastating results. One would have expected a revision to reduce the number of residents and provide them with some breathing space, ability to socially distance and more open areas to walk and get fresh air.

The overall design is still unsympathetic to the period architecture of Station Road and the Hampton conservation area. On behalf of my neighbours and other Hampton residents I implore the council to please think again about giving permission to this development and invite a sensible proposal for this site that will enhance the area and not contribute to the already OVER-development of properties in Station Road. There must be a better, less densely populated solution to

this development site that would enhance the village atmosphere of Hampton, be less densely populated and with better than adequate provision for on-site parking.