Reference: FS645775929

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 24/2117/VRC

Address: Hampton Pre-Prep And Prep SchoolGloucester RoadHamptonTW12 2UQ

Proposal: Variation of planning approval 13/2102/FUL - Condition Number(s): 13 (U67172) - Restriction on pupil numbers

to allow to increase pupil numbers from 144 to 176.

Comments Made By

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: Highway safety & Adequacy of parking/loading/turning

I live at the junction of Wensleydale Road and Wensleydale Gardens, and despite there being double yellow lines around the corners, we have witnessed illegal, dangerous and inconsiderate parking from parents. Moreover, 'near misses' have been witnessed as cars turn, reverse and pull out of this junction. This junction is already at high risk of a potentially fatal accident; for other cars, cyclists and most importantly - children are crossing the road, exiting cars and the area can become gridlocked, resulting in poor visibility for clear and safe crossing.

I am thankful that the School has reacted to reports (provided with photographic evidence), in a timely manner; however they seem equally exasperated by the disgraceful thoughtlessness of certain parents, who repeatedly disregard safety and legal parking.

Wensleydale Gardens is a cul-de-sac and to this end cannot safely sustain a high volume of traffic turning and manoeuvring

Traffic generation

The increase of pupil numbers, and subsequently cars, will further exacerbate the highway safety aspect mentioned above.

Pollution

The increase in pupil numbers, and subsequently cars, will further create higher levels of emissions. We have frequently witnessed cars idling (especially during the winter), while parents are waiting in their cars in preparation to pick their children up.

• Conditions of previous application 13/2102/DD04

The schools previous application, was subject to 'condition U67172' - that the school would be restricted to pupil numbers of 144.

Quote

"Condition:U67172

That no more than 144 pupils shall be on school roll at any one time and prior to commencement of the first term of each year in September, the school roll shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority to confirm such compliance. Reason: to safeguard the amenities of neighbouring residential properties to ensure a safe form of development in terms of traffic to & from the site & to accord with the terms of application."

There have been no mitigating circumstances/reasons to nullify the original reasons for upholding 'condition U67172' and therefore the condition should prevail and the application be summarily annulled.