Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 24/2270/HOT

Address: Garrick CottageChurch StreetHamptonTW12 2EG

Proposal: To provide a new vehicular access with hardstanding to the front, and a single storey garden building on the north west side of Garrick Cottage, Church Street, Hampton

Comments Made By

Name: Mrs. Alison James

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: I fundamentally object to the proposals in this application

Loss of on street parking

Parking in Johnsons Drive is limited and almost always fully utilised. the loss of what is likely to be 2 space would have a detrimental impact in the residents. These spaces are in constant use. Parking spaces are not marked, as the application suggests, so the available space can be used flexibly to accommodate as many cars as possible. It also seems inappropriate that residents on Johnsons Drive will lose spaces for the benefit of a resident in a neighbouring street.

Safety

The pavement on both sides of the road in Johnsons Drive are used by residents, including children. Vehicles crossing this would put theit safety at risk. Visibility is limited, especially from cars approaching from around the bend. Fire safety from a workshop, so close to listed buildings and old cottages has not been taken into account. The fire at Garrick House demonstrated how quickly a small fire in a historic building can get out of hand.

Workshop

A car workshop in a quiet residential street in a conservation area is an inappropriate industry to be allowed. This would result in excessive noise and fumes and an increase in vehicles parked on the street and using the road. Johnsons Drive is home to young families and older residents. There is no equivalent industry within the vicinity. Additionally, a turntable is going to create noise which will disturb resident potentially at all hours.

Removal of trees

The trees should be protected and not removed for the benefit of this scheme. They enhance the conservation area and also support the net zero aims of the council.

Previous application

I notice that the previous application for this scheme was withdrawn and as a result all the previous objections removed. These should be taken into account for this application as many of the comments still stand and have not been addressed in this new application.

In particular the inaccuracies in the reports regarding footfall on the northern pavement - this is high and not low as stated Fence panel was not in place for a drive opening but to protect a tree that was subsequently removed

Use of parking spaces - availability of free spaces has been significantly overestimated

Clearly, the applicant did not take the residents views into account and make the corrections.

Finally, this application would benefit a resident of Church Street to the detriment of all 18 properties on Johnsons Drive.

This is our of proportion and balance.