

## Comment on a planning application

### Application Details

**Application:** 21/3107/FUL

**Address:** Barnes Hospital South Worples Way East Sheen London SW14 8SU

**Proposal:** Drop-in full application to supersede residential development zone of previously approved Outline planning permission 18/3642/OUT. Demolition of existing structures and redevelopment of site including construction of three new buildings comprising 106 residential units of mixed tenure (Use Class C3), alterations and conversion of two existing buildings for 3 residential use (Use Class C3), car and cycle parking, landscaping and associated works.

### Comments Made By

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### Comments

**Type of comment:** Object to the proposal

**Comment:** 2/2

3. I would question how much the developer's architect has strayed from the Outline Planning approved design code agreed in 2018 and does this also form part of the basis for the Drop in application as opposed to the Section 73 Variation of Condition? Please refer to the typical bay drawings included in the application, specifically: decorative brick detail on the gable - how does this relate to local vernacular? Descriptions such as main brick, lighter accent brick are not specific enough for this application in my view and deliberately avoid using recognisable terms like Richmond or London brick. Is this because these very brick types were debated on site visits between stakeholders and the developer, highlighting that the vernacular used to inspire the design was not taken from the local area. What is brown toned metalwork? The design of this metal work does not strike me as an element that will endure. These are just two design elements and why are they worth mentioning? The Council working with developers have a duty to deliver new buildings which create healthy neighbourhoods and enhance living, with buildings which are appropriate, sympathetic or complementary to the local architecture, sustainable and will endure. All local developments shape the future of the places we live in. While planning applications may help tick political boxes in terms of housing provision, or be seen to adhere to city and local plan aspirations, it is the very nature of what is created that is more important for current residents and future generations living in the places we have helped to create.

4. Lastly, Having waited 3 months for Council validation of the application for this Barnes Hospital site, locals are left with just 3 weeks including the Christmas break to analyse the detailed content and respond. There is simply not enough time for the community to absorb, connect and respond to this application, while the Council have had 3 months to liaise with the developer, locals are left with just 11 working days. This is just not good enough. We respond as neighbours to the site, almost all without the expertise to rapidly scan this application and make an informed comment or judgement. I would ask that the neighbour consultation period be extended by 10 days from Jan 2nd to adhere to the statutory 21 days to allow residents enough time to respond, some of whom have not received the neighbour consultation letter.