

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 21/3107/FUL

Address: Barnes Hospital South Worple 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: As if the area isn't already densely populated and heavily congested, we get a ludicrous proposal like this which suffers as follows:

1. (a) Overshadowing, (b) overlooking and (c) visual amenity.

The proposed development would be much higher than all other buildings in the area and would change the unique character of that part of Mortlake, next to the historic Burial Ground and very close to the Queens Road Conservation Area. It would not only overshadow existing buildings and mean current properties are overlooked but it is also completely out of keeping with the look and feel of a location with over a hundred years of history.

2. Traffic generation.

This would result in a significant increase in traffic in an area which is already densely populated, heavily congested, difficult to drive and park around and where there is danger from the traffic load. There is a continual risk of a serious accident at the railway crossing, as traffic on South Worple Way attempts to join or exit from White Hart Lane by the level crossing. There is still no solution to the Hammersmith Bridge closure and the traffic on White Hart Lane, Upper Richmond Road and Lower Richmond Road is already frequently at a complete standstill. Buses are affected as well, which further discourages people from using public transport to reach the nearest train or tube station.

4. Adequacy of parking and road access.

The entire area suffers from difficult/impossible parking conditions and this proposal would significantly increase that pressure. The proposal does not deal effectively with the issues around road access in what is a very difficult space, between the Upper Richmond Road and the train line. This would affect the locality both during the construction period and afterwards, negatively affecting inhabitants as well as everyone else who needs to use the narrow road infrastructure.

5. Environmental support.

A proposal of this scale and impact should have considerable built-in environmental benefits but this is not the case. This is a very important feature of any large residential-schools-hub type development and is currently woefully missing.

7. There is insufficient affordable housing included within the proposed development.