

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 22/0900/OUT

Address: The Stag Brewery Lower Richmond Road Mortlake London SW14 7ET

Proposal: Hybrid application to include: 1. Demolition of existing buildings (except the Maltings and the façade of the Bottling Plant and former Hotel), walls, associated structures, site clearance and groundworks, to allow for the comprehensive phased redevelopment of the site: 2. Detailed application for the works to the east side of Ship Lane which comprise: a. Alterations and extensions to existing buildings and erection of buildings varying in height from 3 to 9 storeys plus a basement of one to two storeys below ground to allow for residential apartments; flexible use floorspace for retail, financial and professional services, café/restaurant and drinking establishment uses, offices, non-residential institutions and community use and boathouse; Hotel / public house with accommodation; Cinema and Offices. b. New pedestrian, vehicle and cycle accesses and internal routes, and associated highway works. c. Provision of on-site cycle, vehicle and servicing parking at surface and basement level. d. Provision of public open space, amenity and play space and landscaping. e. Flood defence and towpath works. f. Installation of plant and energy equipment. 3. Outline application, with all matters reserved for works to the west of Ship Lane which comprise: a. The erection of a single storey basement and buildings varying in height from 3 to 8 storeys. b. Residential development. c. Provision of on-site cycle, vehicle and servicing parking. d. Provision of public open space, amenity and play space and landscaping. e. New pedestrian, vehicle and cycle accesses and internal routes, and associated highways works.

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

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29 May 2022

Dear Sir

Re: Planning Application Stag Brewery (22/0900/OUT)

I am not a native of Mortlake but I have lived here for over 40 years. In that time I have gained an impression of the character and appearance of the area. Low rise freehold property, modest terraced housing, medium density with open spaces, defined by the railway and the river.

Does the new development preserve or enhance the sense of place or undermine it? Does it complement the existing environment or will it overwhelm it?

It is very easy to dislike and disapprove of the plans laid before us in this planning application. It is too tall, too dense, it will swamp the already congested traffic routes, we do not need a 1,200 pupil secondary school and there is little provision for essential public services like a police station for this side of the borough.

These rabbit hutches, or oversized safe deposit boxes if you like, used to squirrel away overseas money of potentially doubtful provenance, are out of keeping with the character of this borough. This type of generic high rise development has been creeping up-river from Docklands to Vauxhall to Wandsworth and now Mortlake. You need only compare the view upstream from Putney Bridge and the one downstream to anticipate the degradation that will afflict the view downstream from Chiswick Bridge if this oversized development is permitted.

Enough is enough, I say "No" – "Stop!" – we do not want this high rise leasehold property venture foisted upon us by aliens who do not have the interests of local people at the forefront of their plans. Why should our neighbourhood and well-being be compromised for the profits and greed of an overseas property developer?

I urge the Council to reject this unsuitable, behemoth of a development of poor design that has no resonance with the existing urban landscape and to reject the plans for a large secondary school on the site.

Yours faithfully

Edward Inions