

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

Comment: The changes made in the proposed development do not address the fundamental problem that the development is too tall, out of keeping with the local area, and with the stated objectives of the initiative to preserve the character of the Arcadian Thames, which Mortlake Brewery is a part of. Many of the buildings are still above the height limit set by Richmond - a maximum of 7 storeys. The Mayor of London refused the planning application because of the excessive height of buildings in the proposal, so why have these not been reduced? Why do we still have proposals for 9 story buildings in this sensitive historical site, completely out of keeping with the character and history of the area. The application should be refused until the developer agrees to reduce the height of the tallest buildings to seven stories or below. The amendments in the proposal fail to address the fundamental issues of density (over 1,000 residential units is far too much) and impact on transport infrastructure. The huge challenges of the Upper Richmond Road traffic problems are unlikely to resolve, and the developer's plans either ignore the very real issues faced by Mortlake and Sheen residents or offer unrealistically optimistic views of when issues such as Hammersmith Bridge will be resolved. The plans need to be sent back for a realistic assessment of the traffic situation in the Mortlake/sheen area, one which assumes that Hammersmith Bridge will not be resolved for at least a decade and may never reopen to car traffic. The reduction in social housing in favour of private units should be rejected and the developer required to honour their initial commitments, on the grounds of the affordable housing crisis in this part of London.