

Comments for Planning Application PLAN/2020/0568

Application Summary

Application Number: PLAN/2020/0568

Address: Land To The North And South Of Goldsworth Road Woking Surrey GU21 6JT

Proposal: Demolition of all existing buildings and redevelopment of the site for a phased mixed-use scheme, comprising 965 residential units (Class C3), communal residential and operational spaces, commercial uses (Classes A1/A2/A3/A4/B1/D1/D2) at ground floor and homeless shelter (sui generis) within 5 blocks of varying heights of between 9 and 40 storeys (plus rooftop amenity) to the north and south sides of the site together with soft and hard landscaping including public realm works, highway alterations to Goldsworth Road, car parking, cycle parking, bin storage, ancillary facilities and plant (Environmental Statement submitted).

Case Officer: Brooke Bounague

Customer Details

Name: Mr Casper Gorniok

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Comment Details

Commenter Type: Resident (local res.- member of public)

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Generation of noise level
- High-over density of development
- Highway reasons - parking
- Impact of development
- Out of Character
- Traffic Volume

Comment: 1) Over-development & Economic Fantasy

It is completely over the top to add nearly another 1,000 flats into Woking Town Centre.

Particularly to landlords who, in good faith supported the development of Woking Town Centre back in the 2000's with the developments back then. It's a complete fallacy that Woking was, in any way an investment opportunity - except in the time of the property crash of 2008-10, which may, with COVID-19 happen.

2) Feasibility

COVID-19 has crippled the property market.

3) COVID-19 is one of the many reasons I object to this development.

No-one knows the impact of people living in close proximity to each other until data is available.

4) Alternative USE:

WHY is it not possible to house Surrey County Council HQ there??? Please Explain.

5) Alternative USE:

No-one knows exactly what the impact of COVID-19 is going to be on retail footfall on the town centre - as more and more people switch to internet.

a) VERY low cost housing for entrepreneurs / startups - an opportunity to develop a tech city in partnership with Surrey University's SetSquared Partnership (5 universities). Woking could become a tech hub for people of all ages and this could be a completely new business model - what I'm saying NO MORE 2-BED flats!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!1

b) Medical: Perhaps replace the Woking Walk-In Hospital, which may have a more valuable land use for residential? Forward-thinking Health Centre with all kinds of health needs on-site (Dentist / Physio / Mental Health etc etc.)

c) As (b) but with a care home within it?

My plea to you is this - Woking has far too many 2-bed flats already.....think creatively for alternative uses!!!!

Casper