

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 Bougnague

Customer Details

Name: Mrs Lorna Hester

Address: 32 Mabel Street, Woking, Surrey GU21 6NN

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: If the plan is agreed to construct a building even higher than those already under construction in the town the negative impact on Woking will be huge aesthetically. Already visible from many miles away, the proposed building will dominate the skyline for miles. And to date the new buildings have little to make them objects of delight to view!

Who will these proposed high-rise flats/commercial buildings be sold to & has history not taught the council that an over abundance of vacant buildings is not beneficial to the town? Or are the dwellings to be owned by overseas investors, also detrimental to our town?

The traffic in an already congested town will worsen. Where will residents park? It cannot be assumed that only few of them will want vehicles.

The overstretched rail network here will be further strained.

I am not anti-change but this proposed development (5 blocks up to 40 storeys!) will be a huge " white elephant".

How are we paying for all of this?

A construction to house the homeless shelter is necessary since the existing one will be demolished.

Some green space is hugely also beneficial in what is becoming a very urban area.

As the slogan says "We Are Woking". We are NOT London, nor should we try to be!