

Sharon O'Reilly

From: [REDACTED]
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To: DevelopmentControl
Subject: PLAN/2020/0568

Categories: Sharon

Dear Sir

I write to object to planning application PLAN/2020/0568.

This is on the following grounds:

Overshadowing: I live in one of the blocks of flats just on the opposite side of the train station. The towers of the Victoria Square development already block sunlight for all of the north-facing flats and a good section of southern Woking after 5pm in summer, earlier in winter. Putting up huge towers at the end of Goldsworth Road is going to blot out the light almost completely for large parts of the town including my block, and cast shadow even earlier in the day. 10 – 15 storeys in line with Centrium size would be much more appropriate.

Insufficient services: there will be insufficient provision of services for the number of new flats and households proposed – GP services, schools and so on. The density of housing proposed is much too much for a small area and public services will be overwhelmed by the number of new households. This is not central Manhattan, this is a relatively small Surrey town.

Parking: Far too few spaces proposed for the number of households. Parking in the town centre is already incredibly challenging, this would only make it worse. Traffic will also be very negatively affected.

Lack of affordable housing: the proportion of is far too low and not in line with council policies of 35%

Finally, dressing up the “greening” of the space as a benefit of the development is frankly irrelevant and shouldn’t be seen as a positive of this proposal.

Yours faithfully

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