

# 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: Mr Roger McConnell

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## Comment Details

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

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- High-over density of development
- Highway reasons - parking
- Impact of development
- Out of Character
- Overlooking
- Traffic Volume

Comment: I understand there are only 48 affordable homes being provided with the remainder not large enough for families. A more balanced mix of accommodation would garner more support. However the height and mass of the development is disproportionate, and aesthetically (whilst subjective) are bland to say the least.

The current high rise developments in Woking have divided opinion in the town and is trying to turn Woking into an unwelcome metropolis - they are out of character and do not sit visually within the outer environs - the current proposals for Goldsworth Road towers are even higher will increase the mass and further add to the destruction of the views across the wonderful countryside.

I urge the Planners and Developers to rethink and come up with innovative and exciting solutions to solve the housing crisis that enhances the visual amenity and makes Woking a flagship town

not one that destroys visual amenities.