I strongly object to this planning application. The plans would permanently and drastically change the character of the immediate area: a site which is unique and should be protected at all costs. As a local resident, the very last thing we need is an increase in homogeneous, soulless apartments, bland chain hotels and yet more high street supermarkets. What about the local, homegrown businesses that need support rather than UK brand competition that will be difficult for them to compete with? We are already swamped with hotels, serviced apartments and insipid supermarkets - there is no need for more, and our unique village character will be wiped out - the very reason people chose to live her and contribute to the local economy in the first place.

I am very concerned about the disruption that this development will cause. I travel on that road every day, and it's already shambolic. I dread to think of the chaos that significant building work will create, especially around the time of major Hampton Court events, where large crowds already result in big logistical headaches for residents.

The thought of a multi storey party is, frankly, grim. Again, this is not what this area is about or should have. It will be a total eyesore, out of character, and could cause a rise in road accidents, traffic and crime. We are a village!

Furthermore, the 169 freely usable car park spaces will be entirely inadequate for the new influx of residents, hotel guests, train passengers and visitors - causing yet more disruption to the local

community. It's unbelievable that there will be fewer parking spaces than there is today, yet far more need.

The height is excessive and the footprint of vast.

I am concerned also about impact on the station. The 'improvements' sound vague. Additionally, can they promise no disruption to rail travel? Delays in train services would have serious, damaging consequences for my family.

I fear that because the current site looks unloved, a decision will be made to proceed with this simply plan because it's better than what currently is there - disregarding history, legacy and what is truly right for people who live and love here. Packing in such a huge amount of accommodation and faceless, needless amenities represents nothing more than greed by people who will take their money and run, leaving the local community to deal with the consequences for generations to come.

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