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Application number: 2022/3796

Application address: 16 Oatlands Drive, Weybridge, KT13 9JL

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Comment type: You object to the planning application

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Comment: > We urge Elmbridge Planning Department to recommend rejecting this proposal. It is not a compatible design, takes no account of the adjacent listed and architecturally significant buildings, but rather proposes a huge overdevelopment.

> Any development at this location should be of a sympathetic design to the surrounding houses and the blocks currently under construction and not be an over massed development. The density of 90 dph is more than twice the target by Elmbridge Council.

> There should be provision for more landscaping rather than bricks and concrete with the consequential adverse impact on nature and the living conditions of future residents.

> The combined effect of parking shortfall on the 8-14 Oatlands Drive consented development and the 2-4 & 16-18 Oatlands Drive proposed developments will have serious road safety implications. Firstly all the over spill parking will gravitate to Ashley Close which is already experiencing gross over parking for such a small road. Secondly the volume of traffic entering and exiting the proposed development site into Ashley Close will introduce a high road safety risk. It is noted that there have been no recent, comprehensive road safety risk assessments to incorporate the changing road conditions re the impact of this and other developments in the area

> Once again, we would urge the council to be consistent with their original rejection of 8-14 Oatlands Drive, and reject this application. The series of proposed developments at 8-14, 4-6 and shortly 16-18 Oatlands Drive would catastrophically change the nature of this part of Elmbridge from a family orientated neighbourhood, with lots of green space, to a series of large, characterless blocks of flats with little or no outside amenity for residents.

> If these developments are allowed to go ahead, the street scene will be one of large tower blocks which will ultimately destroy the character of this area of Walton-on-Thames. We understand that this was never part of the EBC plan for the area, but is being imposed on us by commercially driven developers, one application at a time.