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Application address: St Georges Hill Lawn Tennis Club, Warreners Lane, Weybridge, KT13 0LL

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Comment type: You object to the planning application

Date of comment: 09 Jun 2023

Comment: I strongly object to the proposal to construct Padel Courts at SGHLTC at the heart of the St Georges Hill estate.

I object to the potential noise pollution for local residents - Padel is a hard and fast game played by 4 people on a hard surface - a very different audio result than that generated by the more genteel and softer sound of lawn tennis.

I object on the grounds of light pollution for neighbouring residents which will be a significant intrusion.

St Georges Hill commands a huge premium in property prices due to the security and peace and quiet and privacy which can be achieved. The wealthy owners have made a conscious choice to pay this premium to dwell here and thereby to support the local Elmbridge economy. The impact of noise and light pollution at the heart of this estate will drive out the very clientele the borough is endeavouring to keep at it's heart.

I have personal experience of the volume created by the Padel court at the Bannatyne health club at Broadwater lake - it is not a sound I would like to live close to.

The extra traffic during the evenings which could be generated within the estate and at Old Avenue is also a consideration.

The character and clientele of the club will be changed by this facility and it will be detrimental.

There is no valid commercial requirement to add this superfluous facility - the club should not be permitted to construct these courts.