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Application address: The Molesey Venture, Orchard Lane, East Molesey, KT8 0BN

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Comment type: You object to the planning application

Date of comment: 01 Jul 2023

Comment: I am extremely shocked and disappointed by the amended plans. They do not address any of the myriad of concerns that have been made by the local community. This development is way too large and is a substantial over development of a small riverside location. It is significantly more dense than other developments that have passed. This will lead to traffic chaos, congestion and pollution, in an already congested area, and will destroy the abundance of local wildlife that resides there.

The significant concerns by the Environment Agency about flooding and biodiversity have not been acknowledged or taken on board. This must be urgently addressed. It is vital in this period of declining biodiversity and rapid climate change that substantial changes are made to the plans, that protect the local environment.

Nor have the concerns about the scale of this development on a small cul de sac been listened to. Orchard lane has a blind bend leading down to the main road, which is already dangerous with the current amount of traffic. There are limited public transport options, so a congested area will become even more over congested. This neighbourhood is full of families and it is getting increasingly dangerous for children to walk, scoot and cycle. There is currently not enough parking on Orchard Lane and the new plans don't address this. Instead there will be more pressure on an infrastructure that is already at capacity.

The sewer system is already overworked and causing problems for existing residents and the development contravenes Thames Water's guidelines. It is also proposed to be built on a flood plain, with tree loss and culling, which is extremely irresponsible in the midst of the climate emergency and poses a flood risk to the residents.

I am also concerned that Surrey Police anticipate an upsurge in anti-social behaviour, which reinforces that the density is too high and there aren't enough parking spaces.

The proposals will have a hugely detrimental effect on the local neighbourhood character, quality of life and safety.

It is extremely important that the developer listens to the objections and makes substantial changes that significantly reduce the density of the proposed development, or move it elsewhere, so that we can protect the local wildlife and wellbeing of the local community and maintain the character of the neighbourhood.