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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: 02 Jul 2023

Comment: I have significant concerns in relation to this planning application. The key concerns relate to:

- the environmental impact, from the point of view of carbon emissions and other pollutants. It is difficult to understand how this plan aligns with Elmbridge's Carbon Management and Reduction Plan 2020-2030;
- the impact on the local waterways (River Ember and River Mole), which are already dirty and polluted, and the consequent effect on wildlife as well as public health;
- the impact of the construction project itself, due to take approximately two years, in terms of noise and disruption to the local community, as well as health and safety risk to families posed by large industrial vehicles moving around in an already busy residential road;
- the impact on the existing community (many of whom are vulnerable adults) who live in the current development that is going to be replaced - how will those residents be looked after (physically and mentally) and housed while the development is being built?;
- the visual impact of the development, which is completely out of kilter - in size and scale (bulk, mass and height) - with the local residential area, as well as the Wilderness green space which it directly backs onto;
- the loss of established trees as a result of the project. As well as acting as an important noise and visual buffer, these trees hold carbon (which will be released when they are cut down) and house wildlife, in our already much depleted environment;
- the impact on local amenities which are already extremely overstretched, in particular doctors' surgeries;
- there is minimal public transport in the immediate surrounding area, so all residents will be reliant on their cars, meaning increased disruption, congestion and pollution.