

70 Ember Farm Way  
 East Molesey  
 Surrey  
 KT8 0BL  
 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Jack,

I would like to make an objection to this planning application with regard to access to the site particularly for large vehicles such as refuse lorries, delivery vehicles and fire engines.

Objections have been submitted which highlight concerns with current access to the site. There are concerns that this will be exacerbated by the proposed increase in dwellings and insufficient parking being provided on site.

I submitted a Freedom of Information Request to Elmbridge Borough Council on the 21.06.2023 regarding access for refuse collection lorries to the site. I asked for data on documented refuse lorry access issues to the site from 2020 to year to date 2023. (FOI:/00000496)

Please find below the data I received from the FOI Team at Elmbridge Council. In 2022 there were 227 issues reported about the Molesey Venture Site and Newstead House by collection crews. 129 of these issues were reported as road blocked. The situation seems to be getting worse. The year to date 2023 figures are higher than for the whole of 2022: there were 249 issues reported. It is a similar picture with respect to the road being blocked: 134 reports for year to date 2023. This suggests there is a current access issue to the site for large vehicles even before the site is further developed.

- number of reports of access issues for the refuse lorries

Please see table below for issues raised by collection crews on the scheduled collection day

The Molesey Venture

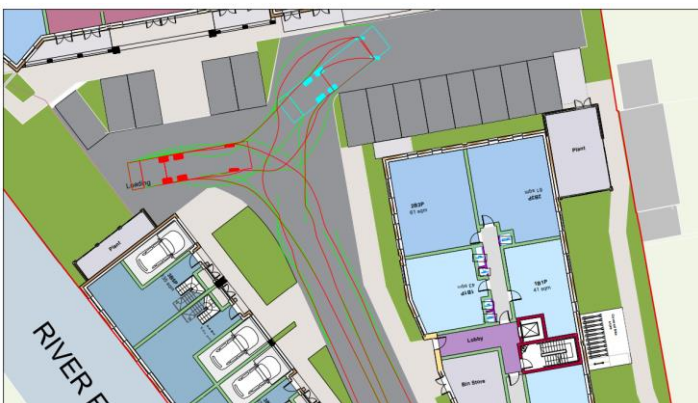
Row Labels	2020	2021	2022	2023	Grand Total
NO ACCESS		1	5		6
No Access - Gate-Bin Store			4	15	19
NOT PRESENTED	30	25	48	25	128
Road blocked			18	22	40
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>193</b>

Newstead House

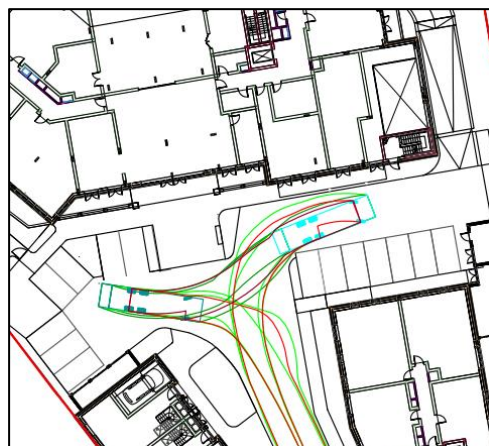
Row Labels	2020	2021	2022	2023	Grand Total
NO ACCESS	32	120			152
No Access - Gate-Bin Store			40	72	112
NOT PRESENTED	28	42	6	3	79
ROAD BLOCKED	8	8	111	112	239
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>582</b>

There don't seem to be significant changes being made which would improve the situation. The updated swept path analysis provided in the Entran in the Transport Statement Addendum Letter (31.5.23) suggests the swept path for a refuse lorry is extremely tight. It looks like the green chassis line will only be just beyond the path in front of Building A and extremely close to the last parking spaces in the rows in front of Building A and Building C.

**Updated Swept Path for Refuse collection Truck (31.5.23)**



**Original Swept Path for Refuse collection Truck (Oct 22)**



In addition the large car swept path analysis from the original Transport Statement (Oct 22) shows that if a large car is parked in these above ground spaces it will extend beyond the end of the parking space. (shown in purple circle). If a large car is parked in the end spaces highlighted by the blue circles then there isn't much margin for error in the swept path of a refuse lorry. There could potentially be a risk of accidents.

**Original Swept Path for a large car (Oct 22) and Swept Path for Refuse Truck ( May 23)**



I would also query the fire engine swept path analysis in the May 2023 Transport Addendum. It is modelled on a Dennis Sabre Fire Tender with a length of 7.7m. Surrey Fire appliances seem to be mainly Scania models, from what I can tell these have a length of 10.5m. It would be helpful if the Applicant updated the swept path analysis using the type of appliance that would be attending in the event of a fire.

The FOI data shows that access to the site is already an issue for larger vehicles. The swept path analysis seems to show that rather than improving the situation, the road and parking layout is so tight that it is likely to exacerbate the problem. I would assume that swept path analysis are based on 'perfect' circumstances, where everyone parks exactly where they should, with a car that fits in the space. This is not likely to be the reality once the site is occupied. Added to this, there is only 1 parking space per household and no visitor/staff spaces so potentially residents and visitors will park on the access road on site or on Orchard Lane further exacerbating the access situation.

Kind Regards,

Katherine Le Clerc