

Our reference: COM566604204

Application number: 2023/2860

Application address: Land at 12 and Land West of 10 to 26 Claygate Lane Esher Surrey KT10 0AQ

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Comment type: You object to the planning application

Date of comment: 03 Dec 2023

Comment: I am writing to formally object to the proposed development outlined in the planning application.

Speaking as a family who have recently purchased and moved into Cumberland drive, I would like to highlight a key reason we chose the location was because of the tranquility, sense of space and not overlooking or being overlooked that this wonderful wilderness provides. It is with sadness we learn that this is now under threat and we object.

Incompatibility with Surrounding Properties:

The proposed development is not in harmony with the established style and character of the surrounding properties. Its design and scale do not align with the existing architectural context, potentially detracting from & devaluing the neighborhood's visual cohesion and ambiance.

Increased Traffic Congestion and Safety Concerns:

The development would exacerbate the existing traffic congestion in our area, creating safety hazards for residents, pedestrians, and particularly for school children who frequent the area. The proximity of the proposed site to the school raises additional concerns about the safety of children walking or biking to and from school amidst heightened traffic flow.

Privacy, Overlooking and Light Pollution Concerns:

The construction will compromise our privacy by overlooking our property. This intrusion would disrupt the sense of seclusion and tranquility that we currently enjoy as well as creating further unwanted light pollution. We currently enjoy incredibly little light pollution given the location, and the family enjoy looking out at the night sky which is under threat.

Impact on Trees, Wildlife, and Runoff Water:

Several extremely well-established trees would face removal, significantly impacting the natural aesthetics of the area. Moreover, the disturbance caused by the development poses a threat to local wildlife, including bats, foxes, and essential pollinators.

Runoff Water and Flood Risk:

The proposed development's configuration raises concerns about increased runoff water, potentially leading to drainage issues and causing adjacent properties gardens to become water logged.