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**Application address:** Heath Buildings, High Street, Oxshott, Leatherhead, KT22 0JW

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**Comment type:** You object to the planning application

**Date of comment:** 26 Mar 2024

**Comment:** To all intents and purposes this proposal retains the same footprint, excessive height and bulk and is just as overwhelming as the previous application and is completely out of keeping with, and detrimental to, the character of its village setting and also adversely impacts the privacy of neighbours.

The proposed redevelopment will encroach significantly upon the paved area in front of the existing building with the resulting loss of a central focal point and beneficial communal space set back from an adjoining busy main road and the probable loss of not just one but both trees for which no amount of 'replacement planting' can compensate.

For a new building of little architectural merit, the impact of demolition, basement excavation and construction work on the village, its inhabitants, businesses and visitors and the upheaval and disruption it will cause will be considerable with no discernible benefit other than the removal of an arguably outmoded building.