Our reference: COM618080570

Application number: 2023/2860

Application address: Land West Of 10 To 26 And Land At 12 Claygate Lane Esher Surrey KT10

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Name: Mrs Robertson

Address: 13 Cumberland Drive, Esher, Surrey, KT10 0BG

Comment type: You object to the planning application

Date of comment: 28 May 2024

Comment: We wish to object to the latest revised plan which only addresses ONE of many concerns we outlined in our previous objections. Again we reiterate our concerns with regards to safety, security and boundary treatments.

Safety

The revised plan shows a wider access road, however this still has the potential to compromise safety both to the residents of the proposed development when using the shared access road/pathways and to the adjoining residents.

We at No.13 Cumberland Drive have a home office next to the boundary and the access road, with the prospect of heavy duty vehicles passing by in a restricted space and so close to our boundary, we feel vulnerable and at risk to our personal safety when using the office and to our property.

Boundary Treatments

There is currently no information available which indicates how the developer plans to manage the impact to the trees/shrubs in the adjoining properties when laying the foundations for the access road. If this proposal goes ahead, we at No.13 will loose all existing screening at the end of our garden by the destruction of trees and shrubs on the plot to make way for the access road. The Silver Birch tree in our garden next to the boundary of our property and access road is at risk of root damage. This will be our only means of screening (during summer months) and given its proximity will most definitely suffer. All of our current screening and privacy will be wiped out, changing our outlook and leaving us exposed to an increased risk to security, light pollution, noise and being completely overlooked by plots 6&7. As the proposal of semi mature trees being planted will take years to establish and given the plan to widen the access road, surely this will restrict size and height of plants, compromising future screening. In addition, with the removal of foliage and construction of an access road so close to the boundary and given that there is already a flood risk in the area, there is a heightened risk of flood damage to the adjoining gardens. In our case the foundations to our home office.

Security

The security of the adjoining properties will be heavily compromised with a public road at the end of the gardens as opposed to backing onto land that is inaccessible and has been the case for the past 90 years or so.