

Comments for Planning Application 129020/FO/2020

Application Summary

Application Number: 129020/FO/2020

Address: Oakley 188 Wilmslow Road Manchester M14 6LJ

Proposal: Erection of 1 no. 13 storey building and 1 no. part 4 and part 5 storey building to form purpose built student accommodation together with a single storey side and rear extension to the retained and refurbished Oakley Villa and conversion to form amenity and communal space together with associated landscaping, cycle parking, car parking and associated works following the demolition of existing office accommodation on the site

Case Officer: Robert Griffin

Customer Details

Name: Not Available

Address: Not Available

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I have grown up in Fallowfield and also went to University in Manchester. I have seen the area change since I was young. There are now students in most of the houses on the street where I grew up. I feel there are too many students in the Fallowfield area and so I am really shocked that an application has gone in to build more flats for students here. The site is really close to Platt Fields and the park gets very busy when the weather is nice. It is full of students already. I am really opposed to this because Fallowfield needs some investment to attract working people and not more students who don't pay any council tax

The trouble with building more halls for students is that it creates more demand for housing in Fallowfield. I would like to buy a house soon but wouldn't consider Fallowfield because it has become too noisy with students. We had student neighbours (8 of them) next door for years as I grew up. They have been very noisy and their behaviour very disrespectful. My friends used to comment how loud they were when they came to visit me. I remember one group that used to come back at 4am and blast loud music and then carry on partying all day. My parents got very stressed by it. Sometimes the students next door would vomit out of the window and let it run down the roof and not wash it off. It was disgusting and I couldn't believe how dirty they were. We also heard they had rats in the house a couple of years ago. My family tell me stories of the latest rowdy parties and all the drug dealing that goes on. It's good that the council are trying to stop the house parties. Being woken up or disturbed by loud neighbours is really horrible.

Because I grew up around here I am aware of the dangers of the area at night. I realised that

many students were unaware of this. They would often get attacked. There was a horrific rape of a girl who was abducted just down the road from our house which made me even more wary about going out in the dark on my own, even down to the local Sainsbury's.

Fallowfield is a really great location though and has a really good community of people. It would be good if more houses could go back to families but this isn't going to happen by putting more halls in Fallowfield. When I was at University everyone wanted house shares in Fallowfield. I didn't choose that option because I know how loud students can be when in groups and it would have made me worry about any neighbours especially the older people. I now live in Northenden and it's much quieter than Fallowfield.

This application must be refused and something more suitable built on the site which doesn't spoil the landscape or add any more students to the area.