

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 grew up in Fallowfield so Platt Fields was my closest local park. I'm now away studying Landscape Architecture in Sheffield but it's still very much a place I visit when I'm home. I object to the proposals firstly as access to green space in Manchester is very poor. For me this park is a haven away from the busy roads and day to day life where I can immerse myself in nature. The benefits I see on my mental health are staggering. Without towering reminders of urbanisation and life's stresses, it's a space I can reflect, exercise, socialise and interact with wildlife. The addition of this tower would reverse these benefits and ruin the overall look and natural feel. The new students with easier access to the park would make it over-crowded and intimidating when groups form. Especially as COVID-19 is still present, the temptation for groups of flat mates to gather will be stronger. Addition and management of green spaces should be prioritised as we have seen it's importance to mental health through the pandemic. Residents in Fallowfield are being replaced by students and the neighbourhood is slowly establishing a diversity imbalance. The site offers a better opportunity for enhancing the surrounding green space for community and social use. Also potential for low rise affordable housing.