

Comments for Planning Application 127300/FO/2020

Application Summary

Application Number: 127300/FO/2020

Address: 8 Birch Polygon Manchester M14 5HX

Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension and conversion of property to provide 5 no. self contained apartments with associated elevational alterations, car parking and landscaping

Case Officer: Dave Morris

Customer Details

Name: Not Available

Address: Not Available

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As Manchester City Council rightly refused planning permission for a similar development at 10 Birch Polygon, they simply must uphold a similar decision here and refuse this case. Developers are looking to carve this family area into a place where people [like ourselves] who own our own homes, put down roots and care for area are put into a minority. We have seen a 4-bed family home next to our own home converted into student housing and that has brought crime, unsociable behaviour and distinct lack of care and attention to how the area looks and is lived in. Of the six dwellings at our side of the cul-de-sac, only ONE property, ours, is owned by the residents. The transient nature of short-term lets brings a flagrant disregard for the upkeep of the area and the strong community feel that was in place originally and has only been strengthened under COVID-19. If the council's priority is maintaining family homes and returning HMO's back to single dwellings, then this development must be refused. The large, family-owned houses in the area add character and make it a nicer place to live. To lose that and add even more traffic and potential parking problems to an already busy area is wrong and should be refused. The permission submitted last year that was refused for 9 single flats has now been slightly tweaked to allow even less room for people. It is unfair to squeeze this many rooms into such a small space; minimum-sized rooms are an affront to people's living quality. Developers are trying to cram as many people into this lovely area as they can for profit. This property would make a delightful family home and would improve [rather than detract] from the quality of life of permanent residents like ourselves. Similar aborted developments have already cost us valuable greenery in felled trees. MCC need to maintain their correct stance of refusing the greed of developers trying to change the face of our area. Planning permission should 100% be refused for this case. Thank you for your consideration.