

Comments for Planning Application 142652/FO/2025

Application Summary

Application Number: 142652/FO/2025

Address: Chorlton Square Shopping Centre Barlow Moor Road Manchester M21 9AQ

Proposal: Erection of 6 no. residential buildings of 10, 8, 6 and 4 storeys in height to provide up to 262 residential dwellings (Use Class C3) with ground floor commercial uses (Use Class E (a-e)); infrastructure works including electric substation and associated utilities works, basement and ground level car parking, service yard, vehicular and pedestrian accesses; together with public realm works and hard/soft landscaping following the demolition of the existing buildings and structures on site.

Case Officer: Robert Griffin

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: The height and scale of this project is far too big to shoehorn into the centre of Chorlton. I understand there is a precedent set with Graeme House but let's be honest, that is an eye sore and shouldn't set the future path of Chorlton's skyline. Ten story flats will dwarf the surrounding Victorian buildings and businesses, it's already happening on the old swimming pool site further up the road where the street below has been thrown into permanent shadow. Chorlton needs decent affordable housing yes, but we don't want to see the local high street killed off to achieve that.

No one would suggest a development of this height in the middle of Didsbury so do we need to start calling ourselves Chorlton Village to fend off the invasion of high rise flats?

The previous Chorlton Precinct might not have been pretty but it was busy, it had essential shops that have never been replaced, it was well loved and it was discrete. And it was taken away from local people to make way for a development that was clearly nowhere near getting a green light.

Manchester City Council have already let Chorlton down in allowing that to happen so at least give us something to benefit the local community instead of lining yet another developer's pocket.