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: Neighbour
Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application
Comment Reasons:
Comment:The proposed development is thoroughly inappropriate and will damage the social and physical environment, aesthetics and amenities of Chorlton. The proposal includes no less than 6 apartment blocks, which is extraordinary in itself. Even more astonishing and disgraceful, four of these blocks will be TEN, EIGHT, SEVEN and SIX storeys high. They will tower over the centre of Chorlton and destroy its present charm as a village-type suburb with few buildings of more than two or three storeys.

The single former tall building, Graeme House, on one part of the site does not justify this because it was just one building, set well back from the road. The proposed six blacks will tower over the roads, reducing light and destroying the sense of space.

The 262 flats - an astonishing number - will bring a huge number of residents into this already busy centre, which is already overburdened with cars and has insufficient parking space and not enough basic shops for residents. Formerly there were 22 shops; the plan allows for only about half this number. The developers have also reneged on their promise to include social housing, and they have reduced the amount of green space.

Formerly there was a Quality Save store - extremely useful, especially for less well off residents; now there is no large retail space planned.

The plan is clearly driven by the desire for profit above all, neglecting human, environmental and aesthetic concerns. It will seriously damage Chorlton, and should be decisively rejected.