

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: Hello,

I visit Chorlton almost every day for shopping, seeing the GP and pharmacy and to have a pleasant walk in the area.

During the consultation period I objected to the proposed plans for the following reasons:

1. Removing the shopping precinct would take away valuable and necessary amenity including shops and meeting area from the community.
2. The existing precinct could be renovated to be energy efficient and also provide seating and greenery to provide a pleasant meeting and shopping area for the community while retaining Quality Save and necessary and very much used affordable necessities for the entire community.
3. Tearing down Graeme House only to build new flats would be environmentally damaging compared to converting it to energy efficient flats - perfectly possible to do - which would add housing to the community without taking away necessary and much loved amenities from the community.

Shockingly, the new greatly altered proposal is so much worse than the previous proposal so I strongly object for the following reasons:

1. The several tall blocks of flats are out of character with the local community and will forever change Chorlton for the worst due to the height and size. They will be overpowering. Graeme House is set back from the roads and is the only existing taller building now so it does not change the character of Chorlton.

2. The number of flats proposed are too many with too great a density for the area without enough supporting infrastructure including parking, shops and a large retail unit like Quality Save.
3. There will be trees lost and not enough green spaces so when combined with the 6 tower blocks it will feel and look like a city centre rather than the low density, lower height out of town village it is now.
4. There won't be enough medical facilities and the current GP practices are already overwhelmed as are the pharmacies. And this is not the only new development of flats in the area that also have not planned for more GPS or pharmacies etc.
5. Finally, I object to removing the necessary shopping precinct with several small shops and the large retail space that was Quality save as well as the meeting area in the precinct that could be beautifully renovated as a necessary amenity at the heart of Chorlton.

In conclusion, I object to tearing down Graeme House that could be converted to energy efficient flats - a much more environmentally friendly option.

Please consider the needs of the community rather than disregarding it to feed the profit of the site owners and convenience of the council to fill a housing quota. There are far more suitable places to build high density housing such as unused car parks, abandoned buildings and unused empty plots of land.

Thank you for considering my views and the needs of the community.

Regards,

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