

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: In my view this is a totally inappropriate development to be approved in the centre of Chorlton. The reason for this is that the proposed apartment blocks are too large at ground level and are too high for the area.

The centre of Chorlton is characterised by small scale buildings, mostly 2 storey shops and commercial premises. Nearby housing, on say Warwick road, is traditional 2-3 storey properties. Old photographs of Chorlton centre show how many of the older properties are still there. This gives it its village feel.

So its hard to see how a 10 or 8 storey block would fit in with that without destroying the character of the area. The scale of these brutalist-style blocks is too high. They will stand out, dominate the skyline and block light to nearby properties and Chorlton centre has a village feel and interestingly all the properties reflect that.

The new hoardings around the development site celebrate the independent small shops and businesses which have developed over time in Chorlton whereas these large scale 1970s Hulme-type blocks wipes out that distinctive character.

So this development is inappropriate to the character of the area.