

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 made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Hi there,

I write in support of the planning application - regeneration of Chorlton precinct is decades overdue and as a local resident I support as expeditious and extensive a redevelopment as possible, presenting an excellent opportunity for our community.

My only reservations with the existing plans include:

Retail - lower volume of retail space relative to existing - Chorlton precinct was particularly unattractive, its replacement long overdue, therefore it was never going to be attractive to many multiple retailers, potentially giving a distorted view of retailer demand. The current plans offer a much reduced amount of retail space, plus the retention of the ex-Costa unit, which would have ideally been purchased for incorporation into the scheme. As it stands this remnant of poor architecture from times gone by is set to stay as one of the gateways to the development.

Supermarket - Chorlton currently only offers convenience store shopping provision, plus a dated and over trading mid-sized supermarket. This was the opportunity to include a high quality supermarket. Even if a M&S or Waitrose were to express interest for small supermarkets, it is possible they would be deterred by the lack of space and/ or lack of short stay parking. Earlier plans for Chorlton included a high quality supermarket, the demand for which hasn't dissipated,

plus there are soon to be c.260 extra homes to feed.

Gated community aspect - the existing precinct forms part of the district centre and should remain open/ permeable for all and it' is questionable as to whether residents would need or even expect a 'private' garden, its use prohibited for the general community.

Parking for residents - this should be reduced as many who would purchase/ lease an apartment would not necessarily be a car owner, being adjacent to the city centre, accessible by bike, bus, tram, etc. The need for residents' car parking may be overstated and the district centre is already plagued by cars and anti-social parking.

I look forward to understanding whether and how plans may evolve as part of the consultation and in any event that, subject to planning, work starts on this exciting development in earnest.

Best regards,

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