

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: This proposed development has substantially changed since first reported, there does not seem to be a guarantee of affordable housing and the size of the buildings has increased significantly. The prospect of 6, 7, 8, and 10 storey flats is hugely inappropriate for Chorlton, there is no local precedent for this in our area and we have no wish for it to become one, it would totally ruin the character of Chorlton. Originally we were told that the buildings would have an identity that referenced Chorlton e.g. bay windows but the domineering presence of the East Block tower in no way represents the past history of the local housing. The lack of current infrastructure for this development alone, not to mention the large number of other developments taking place or being applied for is totally insufficient. It seems that our once busy and utterly thriving centre has been taken away from us with very little thought as to what residents and local businesses really need. There does not seem to be any thought of providing a civic centre or replacing a similar amount of shops we have lost as part of this plan. It's just not good enough. As for the idea of a green space previously referred to as a "linear park", we already had that along the Barlow Moor Road side! Please consider very carefully what the people of Chorlton really want, we know that all things must progress but this development is not progress. Do not forget the lessons that were eventually learned by the flats built in Hulme in the 1960's and '70's.