

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: I lived in Chorlton for 40 years until December 2023, and I have worked there ever since. The redevelopment of the precinct and car park area has been under discussion for as long as I can remember. I've seen numerous proposals for it, all of which overlooked the provision of shops and car parking to replace the existing ones. Car parking in the centre of Chorlton has been a controversial issue for many years. The privately owned car park charges were such that numerous shoppers and other visitors chose to park in adjacent residential streets.

These latest proposals also don't address the parking issues but aesthetically they are the most incongruous to date. The monstrosity that is Graeme House would not have got planning permission had it not been proposed by the Government.

Previous proposals which included traditional housing, social or not, had their merits, but this new one has none at all.

Clearly, the developers have decided to seek maximum profit to the detriment of local residents and businesses. Five blocks of flats in the centre of a small town centre would be incongruous and as inappropriate as any NORMAL person could imagine.

The Greater Manchester Pension Fund, which owns the land, should be ashamed for approving this proposal. Local councillors should also be ashamed if they don't protest vehemently, and if the city council, for some inexplicable reason, approves these outrageous plans, it should beg the residents and businesses throughout Chorlton for forgiveness.