

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: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I'm really disappointed with the proposals. I was born, grew up in Chorlton and lived around here all my life - it's my local town centre. I feel that even one tower block of this would be too high for the area but six is ridiculous. It will completely change the landscape.

This plan, combined with other planned local developments, will greatly increase the number of residents without corresponding public services and I'm particularly disappointed to see the number of shops reduce. There will not be enough parking and the centre will be congested.

The plans do not include a civic centre with lots of shops away from the main road in the way the precinct did. So no room for a large home bargains style store. The centre has always had a large store in the centre - from Safeways to Home Bargains. That will be lost. We've already lost so many long established shops.

I was hoping to see more green spaces but that has gone to developers. No mature greenery for years to come - by the time I'm old we may have some mature trees?

I understand the developers no longer guarantee that social housing will be included either.

In short I just wish the council planning dept could be one that residents trust - I feel very strongly it's all about the economy with NO balance for pleasant, sustainable places to live.

Is this the kind of "thriving, green" town centre we've been promised in the Greater Manchester Strategy? High rise living in what should be an enjoyable area to visit with shops, green spaces and eateries?

Long term residents and neighbours, already reeling from the inability of the council to protect historical buildings like the swimming baths, can kiss unique, bohemian Chorlton goodbye, with little to look forward to but years of building works resulting in blocks of flats. Very lacking in imagination.