

# 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: We are losing the heart of Chorlton - which has traditionally been a centre for shopping for local residents. Losing the precinct with no imagination - rather than sustainably renovating the area and repurposing the existing council block as flats has meant we have lost a baker, greengrocer and family butcher and independent shops as well as Boots and Home Bargains which was very well used by the local community especially during a cost of living crisis. There is literally nowhere left to shop for basics in the centre now except for two supermarkets which are often overpriced and certainly not independent. Building is happening on every patch of spare land in Chorlton at the moment on both brown field and green field sites. We used to have three car parks in Chorlton (for shoppers and those visiting the many cafes, bars and restaurants as well as the Health Centre) and now this last one is to be built over. Where will parking be provided? This proposal means removing the centre of Chorlton as a small town with a reputation for being sustainably minded with an independent spirit in favour of 4 blocks of flats whilst in town flats are standing empty and private rents continue to rise. The size and scale of this development is highly detrimental to the local area. Flats are already being built on the site of the old swimming pool (losing its lovely heritage facade) and on the site of the Islamic School and on the site of the Irish Club. The council is continually failing to protect Ryebank Fields. A large development is also taking place on St Mary's fields.