

Comments for Planning Application 135647/FO/2022

Application Summary

Application Number: 135647/FO/2022

Address: 550 Mauldeth Road West Manchester M21 7AA

Proposal: Erection of a new Lidl foodstore (Use Class E) with associated car parking and landscaping

Case Officer: Jennifer Connor

Customer Details

Name: Not Available

Address: Not Available

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: It has been said the estimated amount of car journeys to/from LIDL would equal around 4000 daily, that on average is 266 an hour. It is easy to see how this would massively increase the congestion and reduce air quality in the area, which is particularly ironic considering that the location is flanked by a number of schools, therefore growing lungs and busy road crossings. What's more, research shows that a supermarket in that location would actually cause an increase of 2.5 million extra car journeys annually, as opposed to around 1.4 million annually (estimated by LIDL).

As a local person, this amenity may create handy access to reasonably priced groceries, etc, yet more importantly creates a worse health hazard, ie road safety issues and a real hike up in air pollution, which dramatically increases comorbidities in even healthy young people, eg stroke, cardiovascular and respiratory disease and ultimately increases mortality rates of course. **Pls refer to the Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill and The Environmental Protection Act 1990**

LIDL has boasted three cycle racks and a car share scheme as well as access to tram stops. This is all very well but pls consider the amount of shoppers who actually would be using their own cars due to making large purchases. This would likely be most of LIDLs customers. If they are to put an emphasis on protecting local residents, then the car park facilities need to be drastically reduced to around 20 max. No effective provisions have been offered by LIDL to negate road safety or pollution issues, in an already busy area.

I do wonder why this proposal has been sent so close to the festive period when many people are very busy or even possibly away and therefore may miss the deadline to reply. It was also very interesting that the drop in session at Chorlton High was advertised to local residents by LIDL with as little as 40minutes notice...