

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: Where as I'm not opposed to a new supermarket in Chorlton (Morrisons is awful), the traffic and planning is appalling. Provision for the number of car parking spaces is pitiful, particularly once staff parking, disabled and child and parent spaces are taken out of the equation. Any notion in their information booklet that people will walk, cycle or get the tram is laughable - look at Morrisons and the numbers who drive there.

The junction is also very busy, and getting in and out of the school is a nightmare, let alone a busy new value led supermarket. This is going to cause untold traffic issues, and lead to customers parking elsewhere along Sandy Lane, Limley Grove, Beechwood avenue and Nell Lane. The parking on roads nearby is already full, and Sandy Lane in particular a race course with regular fights due to the levels of traffic and parking. This will further add to residents facing traffic, not being able to park and increased levels of aggravation along Nell Lane and Sandy Lane.

There is only 1 entrance and exit right next to a set of traffic lights! Look at what's happening at Aldi in White city at Christmas - hour long queues to exit the car park!

Plus the proposal is to put a supermarket next to one of the busiest schools in the area, and near 3 other big schools, where either children walk to school, or parents driving their children typically short distances to the schools, and adding further to the contestation in that area already.

The only way this proposal should go ahead is either the other big office block being demolished and turned into extra car parking, or left but the parking under it being properly set out and in use for Aldi customers. With a car park that has a 1 way system of either driving in via Mauldeth road west and out via Nell Lane, or the other way round. The better solution is driving in via Mauldeth

road. Otherwise, when customers are coming from the cemetery, and trying to turn in right, they'll block the entire crossroads up and cause massive contestation back down Nell Lane via the cemetery.

The idea of the store is fine. The planning, and letting Lidl get away with the cheapest possible solution on the premis that people "won't drive there" is laughable. Either a suitable solution for both traffic and parking needs to be resolved immediately, or the plans rejected, but the danger, pollution, traffic, parking and increased levels of driver aggression in the area are about to get a million times worse!