

# Comments for Planning Application 13/00832/FUL

## Application Summary

Application Number: 13/00832/FUL

Address: Former Ruskin College Site Walton Street Oxford Oxfordshire

Proposal: Redevelopment of existing student accommodation and teaching site comprising the demolition of all buildings, with exception of the 1913 Ruskin College facade to Walton Street and Worcester Place, and erection of 90 student study rooms, 3 Fellows/Staff residential rooms, teaching facilities, library archive social space, landscaping and associated works.

Case Officer: Angela Fettiplace

## Customer Details

Name: Miss Zara Pollard

Address: 95 Woodgrove Road Burnley

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbours

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Amount of development on site
- Effect on adjoining properties
- Effect on character of area
- Effect on privacy
- General dislike or support for proposal
- Height of proposal
- Light - daylight/sunlight
- Noise and disturbance
- Not enough info given on application
- Parking provision

Comment: The building proposed is not in keeping with the area surrounding Worcester College. The proposed design is offputting and extremely usual which will certainly impact the historic feel to the college and general Jericho conservation area. In particular I disagree with the size of the proposed elevation and the overbearing proposed materials all of which starkly contrasts with the picturesque vicinity.

Another issue which I think is particularly significant is potential the loss of views. This will not only affect residents but the public who often visit Worcester College. One particular strength of the area is the sense of open space and freedom contrasting with the usually busy Oxford city centre.

As a student myself I am aware of the issues regarding parking and the transition at the beginning/end of term. I feel Exeter have failed to accommodate this issue and lack provisions

regarding car parking etc.

Overall I cannot help but feel the proposal has been inadequately thought out and perhaps is too rushed. The impact on the surrounding area would be detrimental and the plans would need significantly amending.