

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 Sarah Peyton Jones

Address: Worcester College Walton Street Oxford

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbours

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Effect on adjoining properties
- Effect on character of area
- General dislike or support for proposal
- Height of proposal
- Light - daylight/sunlight

Comment: I am a first year student at Worcester College. The college is a wonderful place to live and work (and for the public to visit), particularly because of the beauty of its grounds and the combination of Grade I listed buildings and sensitive modern architecture. The proposed designs are not at all in keeping with this environment, as they are of a much higher elevation which would overshadow the historic orchard and dominate the otherwise very sensitive low-level buildings in the Sainsbury quad. The materials proposed for the roof are glaring and obtrusive. All in all, the development plans as they stand would detract significantly from the character of the surrounding area and the setting of the nearby Listed buildings. At the very least a significant reduction in the height of the building is called for.