

Govt housing targets....

Hersham Residents
Association Public
Meeting 4/10/2022

DRAFT LOCAL PLAN - EBC
Consultation Summer 2022

LA Salle
Purchased
shopping centre
for £17 Million

Employed
Quadrant to
create plans

End July 2022 local
groups said NO to
200 units on Hersham Grn.

Local plan - current status?

Current Proposals

Possible
outline
Planning
Application
Feb 2023

- knock down current centre
- 200 one + two bed flats. [$\frac{1}{2}$ a car park space each]
- Less parking than current.
- Slightly less retail
- 7 storeys high
- Affordable housing - not clear
- 2 years to build, [Professionals + exp of the building industry suggested it would take MUCH more time.]

Great concern expressed.

Infrastructure

- Schools → Not enough capacity! (their child) refused B.H School
- Doctors (8k) 110k → already on list. Not enough places now!
- Roads. congestion → HUGE problem
- Flood issues mentioned
- Drains + Sewage → not adequate
~ problems already (now).
- Facilities for residents - will be inadequate

General Agreement?

200 units is way too many

Too many houses

- Would there be a restrictive allocation of social housing for local people? - concern new housing just for people outside the area.

Facilities for Residents
16 sports
outdoor
etc

Is it possible to have a restrictive covenant for any social housing to be for local people?
Lorraine Wood

EMAIL OF COUNCIL PLANNER WE CAN EMAIL

Major area of concern at 4/10 mtg.

PARKING

...of local roads if parking in H. Green is inadequate.

- Will affect ^awide area.
- Sunday lunch visitors not factored in - Also what about ^{only} **6 visitor spaces!** → Deliveries Amazon etc
- Half a car park space for each flat - TOTALLY INADEQUATE.
- Extra parking is needed for several reasons
 - future growth of Hersham retail
 - ~~Surge~~ Surge capacity for Birchill school drop off
 - Surge capacity for Hersham events / Beer fest etc...

problem + cutting parking spaces in half will only make

the problem impossible. It will be the death

Hersham is a village with narrow roads. Parking is already a

ACCESS

- Safety for children @ B.H. School
- New Berry Lane - all flats and service road.
- Pleasant Place road! concerns.
- too many cars for workable access
- road infrastructure not suitable for 200 flats - no station near - many'll use cars

Retail Issues

13 → 13 outlets? Not clear - but developers suggest current scheme you would have a bit less retail - this is disappointing

- Attendees at the meeting felt retail at the centre of Hersham is vital to help maintain Hersham's identity and relevance.

- Ample parking for not just for Waitrose - essential for the future vitality of Hersham Centre.

ISSUES during development

Blight? - Much concern - phased development suggested - to minimise disruption to shopping patterns - but most doubtful about this.

• lack of facilities. - During building

• Concern → that retailers will not return

• Proposed Construction time unrealistic - likely MUCH longer than 2 years - during which time great concern that local people will have to get used to shopping elsewhere. Would significant retail ever return after 3-5 years??

Design / Size

congestion / cars
drop off time +
Burhill Sch
concerns
here!

- too High! overlooking the School. no windows

[Show of hands indicated unanimous

Strong feeling that 7 storeys is way too high even if 'set back' QUALITY OF BUILD.

- UNSIGHTLY as windows must not overlook

- Design proposed not ~~welcomed~~ Burhill School supported.

[Show of hands unanimous design not pleasing or 'right' for Herstmonstreeville]

Overdevelopment - too Urban?

- Vandalism research suggests this development will cause/encourage vandalism - prob in/around the open spaces.

- NOT in keeping with the Village

- Far too dense 'overmassing' - too urban.

[Show of hands - much concern about vandalism issues.]

What do / can we do
about it - Views / ideas
Strength of feeling?

Petition suggested? ^{and} write to Quadrant.

Mark Phillipson - *Make our views known -
Let's not wait for the Planning Appl'n.*

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Accepting of feedback.

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Strong view expressed that if our community
does nothing or is apathetic - We will get the ~~worst~~
worst outcome!