Agenda Item 6c

Comments for Planning Application 21/02832/OUT

Application Summary

Application Number: 21/02832/OUT

Address: Lansdown Industrial Estate Gloucester Road Cheltenham Gloucestershire

Proposal: Outline application for the redevelopment of the northern part of Lansdown industrial estate for up to 215 dwellings with associated access roads, parking and public open space following the demolition of the existing buildings. All matters reserved except for access.

Case Officer: Mrs Lucy White

Customer Details

Name: Not Available

Address: 43 Arle Gardens, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL51 8HP

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:I object to the development of this area as I believe it is of more use as an industrial area and the historic building is part of the history of Cheltenham that is all slowly being eroded into many souless housing projects.

The old H H Martyn building would be better put to use as an arts/ media, small business, market area that could help the community instead of added 215 houses (potentially another 400 cars to park somewhere and add to the already busy roads such as Rowanfield road and surrounding areas).

Instead of destroying what is left of Cheltenhams industrial heritage, introduce town work spaces where people don't need to commute miles in a car to attend a work place, make this into strong point for the town? The industrial estate already has many thriving businesses and could be put to much better use, with a bit of imagination.

To lose this industrial/ commercial space and the local Lansdown art studios would be a real shame and have no benefit to the locale.

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: Cheltenham has a real opportunity to provide space to new businesses and artists. It's crucial to recognise the value of affordable studio spaces and prevent the loss of Lansdown Art Studios, ensuring the continued growth of a vibrant and diverse cultural scene in Cheltenham.

Not only this but I fail to see how the area will support the amount of homes planning to be built. I work in the estate daily and the area is already built up, busy with industrial and pedestrian traffic, and remains a growing cultural hub of Cheltenham that would be lost if it were to be demolished and built on.

Cheltenham has already lost many cultural and heritage sites, it would be a shame to fall shortsighted for future generations and remove such an important part of our history and heritage.

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Comment: I live nearby to this industrial estate and my wife works here. I wholeheartedly object to

the proposal as submitted currently.

The loss of the Lansdown Art Studios would be a significant blow to Cheltenham's artistic community, and the loss of the buildings a blow to our industrial heritage which is so often forgotten.

It's not in dispute that Cheltenham needs more affordable housing - however as per the Officer's Report there's no provision for affordable housing in the application. I take great issue with the huge amount of space given to single family homes in the plan, especially this close to Cheltenham's only rail station - it doesn't seem to make any sense.

DEYA, Darcy Wines and Ritual Roasters are nearby tenants in the industrial estate that have been transforming the area into a destination for Cheltenham's cafe and nightlife scene. We need to be focusing on enhancing this scene, building Cheltenham as a destination for leisure, art and culture. It's not suitable for single family homes.

The Art Studios should be preserved within the estate, and single family homes scrapped in favour of space and energy efficient apartment buildings.

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Comment Details

Commenter Type: Other

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: This is an awful idea. We have so little of our heritage left in Cheltenham.