

APPLICATION NO: 15/00517/FUL		OFFICER: Mr Ed Baker	
DATE REGISTERED: 8th April 2015		DATE OF EXPIRY : 8th July 2015	
WARD: Hesters Way		PARISH:	
APPLICANT:	Cheltenham YMCA And Hesters Way Baptist Church		
LOCATION:	Hesters Way Baptist Church, Ashlands Road, Cheltenham		
PROPOSAL:	Erection of 10 no. YMCA "move on" residential units (revised scheme)		

REPRESENTATIONS

Number of contributors	7
Number of objections	7
Number of representations	0
Number of supporting	0

7 Oldbury Road
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL51 0HH

Comments: 3rd May 2015

Myself and my family wish to object to the proposal for the YMCA move on residential units, we feel this is not a appropriate area for this project and is not fair to the local residents having more problems on their doorstep. We have also noticed the YMCA have more plans for 21 of the move on units to be placed up Coronation Square, why must it be Hesters Way why not build say in Charlton Kings or Bishops Cleeve or an area where there is less trouble. We have enough of our own already without adding more problems to the area.

41 Oldbury Road
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL51 0HH

Comments: 11th April 2015

This is too close to schools and could potentially be a child protection issue

43 Barbridge Road
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL51 0BP

Comments: 11th April 2015

We do not want or need another reason in this area for aggressive and criminal behaviour. We've got Edwards Wilson and Scott House full of "Difficult" people, and you want to give us ten more, on our doorsteps ?

Some of us are fortunate enough to own our own homes in this area, do you have any idea how much this is going to lower the property values ?

And the people who live there at the moment park terribly, can you imagine what its going to be like with 10 more ?

2 Farm Close
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL51 0DW

Comments: 13th April 2015

Having read the application and the supporting documents, myself and my family wish to object to the proposed development.

Firstly, the site is being described in the application as unattended and full of rubbish, however, this area is normally kept clean and tidy and it is an open and green area in an otherwise built-up community. I walk past this field every day and have never seen dumped trolleys or rubbish left in the field. The residents of the Barbridge Road properties that overlook the field always ensure that they have a nice area to look out onto.

Secondly, the area already has a 'reputation' and, especially, this part of Barbridge Road is very negatively affected because of the Edward Wilson and Scott Houses. I do not believe that adding more residents with 'difficulties' would help the community nor the residents themselves. Although the 3 profiles of typical beneficiaries listed in the application are heart-warming, I'm afraid that they do not cover the full range of issues of all potential residents. There are schools at either end of Barbridge Road and I believe that putting this facility in the middle would cause trouble and make children and their parents feel unsafe during the school walk.

Thirdly, the proposed development would negatively affect the house prices in the area. I fully accept the reputation of Hester's Way, however, the rest of the troublesome properties (as mentioned above) are long established and we (as well as potential buyers) are already familiar with their level of 'trouble'. Adding a new unknown element of risk to the area will be extremely detrimental to those of us trying to sell our houses in the near future. It is the same as moving into a house with an empty property next door, you just don't know who is going to move in and how much trouble they could be, whereas with a long-standing neighbour, no matter how troublesome they may be, you know what to expect.

Please reconsider the project as our area cannot really afford to have any more troubled individuals, both for theirs and our sakes.

24 Barbridge Road
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL51 0BX

Comments: 28th April 2015

I strongly object to this building as it will be literally right outside my front door!

I will have issues with privacy as my kitchen window will be directly opposite the building and residents will be able to look in from the YMCA property. I do not want this. As you can imagine, every time I will look out of my window I will be looking at flats!

I currently park where the entrance is proposed. Where will I park a) during construction and b) I cannot be guaranteed a parking space if this goes ahead

The noise will affect me directly as, for example, if a resident decides to have their window open and play loud music, it will hit my property.

I will not feel safe being in my own property with this type of resident literally on my doorstep!

This building work will de-value my property greatly - who will compensate for that?

16 Barbridge Road
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL51 0BX

Comments: 9th April 2015

There is no need want or any justification to put 10 Flats on this plot of land. There is no area for children to play as it is. With the some occupants of Scott and Edward Wilson being of challenging personalities you plan to place 10 more individuals who are socially challenged on top. A number of years ago a resident put into buy some of this land to have access to have his car outside of his property and this was turned down. Now you want to increase the traffic issue's that we already have further with 10 more potential cars requiring parking space. I have people who decide to park inconsiderately already without this potentially increased volume. I whole heartedly agree that there should be residential premises made available to this group of individuals but I guess the people making these decisions are not the ones who will have to live with this issue that you will cause.

43 Barbridge Road
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL51 0BP

Comments: 11th April 2015

I do not think that building these premises will help the individuals because of the problems already in this area. Also as a property owner I feel it would put potential buyers off & would the YMCA have the capabilities to control these individuals or would it be down to policing.