

## **Maple Place, Eastleigh – proposed plans F/23/95574**

### **Julie & Peter Carter, 188 Chamberlayne.**

Members of the group GIG and Chamberlayne Neighbours – we came together due to our strong dislike of Eastleigh Borough Council's plan for 19 homes and no parking for this site.

In early 2022 a working group was formed between residents and the projects team to enable local people through the group to have their say directly on the plans for this project.

We canvassed residents in Chamberlayne, Derby, Goldsmith and Nutbeem Road and their responses became a priority at the working group meetings.

Thanks to these meetings we were able to achieve a positive result around issues that were important to us and our neighbour's.

The number one objection was the 'no parking' on this site – this has since been adapted into the new plan with 11 parking spaces at the rear of the proposed building.

The second biggest objection was that houses should be built on Chamberlayne Road to keep the continuity and that the design should be in keeping with the pre-First World War houses - rather than flats.

We were presented with drawn plans by the projects team showing a layout of houses on Chamberlayne Road with matching bay windows and porches. The plan also showed apartments running along Derby Road. This was well received by the group, unfortunately these plans were removed and we as part of the working group were never told why!

It is for this reason that sadly we both now feel we must object to the submitted plans.

Our personal objections are:

- **Three - storey building in Chamberlayne Road -**

This site would suit the three family houses. The flats would be better suited to Derby Road.  
The roofline of this building and its whole persona is out of context –  
It looks like an office building and is overbearing and intrusive on the two storey terrace houses that surround it.  
The density of the building on the corner of the road.

**Plans for full size (sit on) balconies facing two storey houses -**

Imposes on the privacy of the houses opposite by looking straight into ours and neighbour's lounges/bedrooms across the small cul-de-sac.  
Noise issue,

**The entrance to this building is via the cul-de-sac -**

The entrance, in our opinion, should be on Derby Road, a main road which receives more footfall.  
There is no street lighting in the cul-de-sac whereas Derby Road is well lit.  
More traffic in the cul-de-sac as people come and go.

- **Houses on Derby Road**

Family homes built on a main road we feel is unacceptable when there is another solution available by building in Chamberlayne Road where the front doors open on to a quiet cul-de-sac rather than onto a main road with lorries and buses that stop outside and opposite.

The planned design of the houses matches the design of the houses in Chamberlayne Road not Derby Road, so again there would be no continuity with these buildings.

Derby Road -The rear gardens of these houses will get good natural daylight and sunlight all day long in the summer months, but they will have no natural shade. However, the frontage will face North on these properties they will not receive good quality daylight and very little if any sunlight.

With energy costs the way they are and UV issues becoming more dangerous as the sun shines hotter, we feel this should be considered when plans are submitted.

We feel that changing the plans to move the houses into the cul-de-sac would show a sympathetic design. by the planners and the local feelings of residents have been taken into account.

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) produced by the government covers the above in their section, 'Achieving well – designed places'.

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