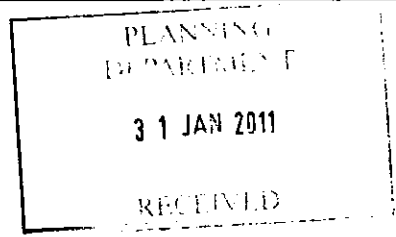


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Comment: As someone who lives on the East side of town, I fully support this application. Tesco will bring much needed rejuvenation to an area of our town that has long been neglected, and is frankly a real blemish.

I support the decision for the following reasons:

1. The planning application gives a large number of common sense reasons - new homes, the new leisure centre and of course, the new Tesco - all will bring money, jobs and help stimulate the stale economy in WGC.
2. The long unused east side of the station is a horrible welcome to the town for anyone travelling through or to/from WGC - on one side the car park of the Howard Centre and on the other derelict land.
3. The East side lacks any competition from a decent supermarket to Morrisons, which is practically our only choice. The Tesco in Hatfield does not represent an easily accessible alternative - neither do Waitrose or Sainsbury's which are more expensive choices.
4. The presence of a Tesco will help competition in the locality and ensure that food retailers (Morrisons, Waitrose and Sainsbury's to name a few) and non-food retailers (B&Q for example) strive to be competitive and offer value.
5. The creation of new jobs not only in the supermarket but also in the leisure centre.
6. As a working professional, it will be a relief to have somewhere in WGC that opens later than 5pm (this relates primarily to the Howard Centre shops recognising the excellent opening hours of larger retailers such as B&Q).
7. Tesco has been a long time supporter of WGC, and is a massive employer in our town - it is right that we should ensure their long term support and continued presence in our town.

These are only some of the reasons I can think for supporting the planning application. I can only see it as a massive positive for this town, and particularly for those of us on the east side.