Comment for planning application 6/2020/3420/MAJ

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Location

Biopark Broadwater Road Welwyn Garden City AL7 3AX

Proposal

Demolition of existing buildings and construction of 289 residential units (Use Class C3) and community hub (Use Class E/F.2), with public realm and open space, landscaping, access, associated car and cycle parking, refuse and recycling storage and supporting infrastructure.

Case Officer

Ms Clare Howe

Organisation

Type of Comment

Objection

Type

neighbour

Comments

Here 289 units are proposed to house 852 people in a very restricted site, with building height to 9 storeys. This contradicts WHBC's own vision for Broadwater Road west which was to integrate the spirit of the Garden City with the very best of 21st century design. There is nothing of the Garden City spirit here. The development is clearly seen from the west side Conservation Area, as well as from Hatfield House. It will compromise the Broadwater Road street scene, overpowering the art deco and Mirage developments to the south. It is inappropriate for a Garden City due to its large scale, high density of homes and minimal greenery. It has no kinship with our unique town. This development offers only 216 parking spaces for 289 homes. There is no example where a development without adequate car parking has worked. Other sites within the borough, such as villages with high public transport accessibility, appear to have been ignored despite their suitability for development.

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