

Comments for Planning Application APP/14/01225

Application Summary

Application Number: APP/14/01225

Address: Market Parade Development Site, Market Parade, Havant

Proposal: Outline application with all matters reserved for demolition of existing buildings and redevelopment of site to erect 130No. apartments and 1126sqm of ground floor commercial/retail space (Use Classes A1-A5 and B1(a)) and associated service, access and 58 private residential basement parking spaces (indicative height of building between five and thirteen stories).

Case Officer: Steve Weaver

Customer Details

Name: Ms Lesley Chapman

Address: 111 Oaklands Road Havant

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Complainant

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: A "landmark" development, yes, but not in a good way!!! It seems to be in the "Croydon" style of architecture... designed with minimal imagination for maximum ugliness and little consideration for the people living both in and around it! The studio REAL design report is absolutely on the button.

No 'affordable' housing and 0.45 parking spaces per occupant is ridiculously unrealistic. Just because people don't need cars or use them very often, doesn't mean they don't have them. Also, the Hants CC report states that the development will result in the loss of some existing on-street parking; thus also degrading the facility for inhabitants around the new development.

The Meridian and Market Parade are already eye-sores but this development will not only add to that ugliness but eclipse it.

If Market Parade is to be redeveloped, it should be the subject of a single architecturally cohesive plan, with attractive buildings sympathetic to the whole town, not a piecemeal collection of ill-considered carbuncles. And definitely nothing taller than 5 storeys. Please take note of the REAL design review.

Do we really want to end-up like Croydon? Surely not!