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Re proposed development

I have noted from other objections that the property does not appear to have been properly marketed as commercial premises. The experience of John Pritchard is similar to that of a friend of mine.

My friend, who lives out of the area, but knows Emsworth quite well was interested in the showroom for his lighting business. He was aware there may be flooding issues but was not too bothered since he manufactures and markets various ceiling and wall lights and an occasional flood would not be a problem since his products would be attached to the ceiling and walls. In an exchange of emails with [REDACTED] over a couple of months he realised there was no serious effort to market the property as a commercial concern. His last email to [REDACTED] said 'Thank you for your email. I am happy to meet and view the showroom, however I would like to know the annual rent and the term available in advance of viewing'. This was dated 21 September 2015 and he is still awaiting a reply.

It is clear that there are a number of people interested in all or part of the property to continue traditional boat repairs etc. and for this reason change of use should be refused.

Several objectors have noted that the proposed houses are too large and out of keeping with the surrounding properties.

I noticed that the agent has shown a view of how Queen Street would look if the properties were built. The view is looking up Queen Street so that the proposed properties do not look too overpowering. I would suggest that looking from the other direction the Lord Raglan pub would look tiny.

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