



Re planning application RU17/0478

The Egham Residents' Association objects to this application for the site of 8 Manorcrofts Road in the town.

In the representation we have just made on applications RU17/0414 and RU17/0415, we complained that a process of converting office space into student accommodation in the town centre is gathering pace without any clear evidence of a diminution in the conversion of family homes in the town to house students. This application provides fresh evidence of the latter.

The Manorcrofts Road entrance to the town possesses much, cherished, character. And we feel that character would be altered and diminished by the putting into effect of this application and the conversion of the property into a house of multiple occupancy (even though no external alteration is involved). We are assuming that the objective is to provide yet more student accommodation.

Understandably, the application is giving all the more concern to neighbours because it includes no vehicle parking details.

In our objection to the Runnymede House applications we urged Runnymede Council to try to take the initiative to stop the metamorphosis of Egham into a student campus. We repeat that appeal in this letter.

Yours faithfully,

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