

Comments for Planning Application 20/05805/F

Application Summary

Application Number: 20/05805/F

Address: Backfields House Upper York Street Bristol BS2 8QJ

Proposal: Delivery of 15 low carbon, affordable, modular homes and associated amenity space to create a new rooftop community.(Major)

Case Officer: Peter Westbury

Customer Details

Name: Miss Sophie Cooper

Address: Flat 2 Cave Court Wilder Street

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Conservation Advisory Panel

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Dear Peter Westbury,

As I local resident, I have been acquiring more business contacts relating to planning. Recently I spoke to a GroundWater expert and to Zed Pods, a container housing company.

I am deeply concerned about over population, over gentrification of the area on Wilder Street, by Lakota, Backfields and Cave Street.

As far as I have been able to research, all applications in last 18 months have succeeded, even if by the developer turning to government to get their plans approved.

From my conversation with the Groundwater Hydrologist it is clear that the new demand on sewage including Decourcey, the Lakota redevelopment and any further building works, could overload our water systems, and that Bristol Water should be involved or consulted.

The Planning Portal, is not visible enough to local stakeholders. More should be done by the Council to raise awareness of how local residents can leave feedback about planning. Residents need more support to understand the high level at which planning documents are written.

Unfortunately, this is not a bad project requesting planning, however now that nearly all plans are getting approved, it makes my vote an object.

Plans which gain approval against the wishes of the community, could be more vulnerable to cyber attacks.

We have a residents group, which shows there is an interest in a plan for St Pauls being strengthened.

The project leaders had, at least, put leaflets through my door to try to get feedback on their survey. My responses were about the pricing of the 18 new homes, but I cannot see my responses in their document.

As an individual qualified in other areas like social care and events management, I am trying desperately to upskill. I receive a narrative that everything is insured and done properly. But in practice I had the Beard site, set up its deliveries less than 2 metres from my front door. None of the workers on the site had been given information about where to park large material drop offs.

My trust has been damaged through the intrusiveness of recent developments. And the area opposite Backfields has been used as a building site for the last 12- months also.

I believe the residents who already live in or have brought in St Pauls need further/adequate Legal support about how to protect their interests.

I would welcome a conversation with Mr Peter Westbury and residents I know, myself and the local planning group. And please consider that local residents are highly qualified to comment, as they have witnessed first hand the implementation of the recent gentrification.