

**2021/1011, Former, 70 to 74 Godstone Road, Whyteleafe, CR3 0EA**

Dear Laura Field

Whyteleafe Village Councillors have reviewed this application and wish to raise the following objections:

1. Given the site location on a busy 'A' road and having a traffic-light controlled pedestrian crossing in front of the site we would ask for consideration of safety issues around site access and sight lines for entry and exit to the site. How would vehicular access be successfully and safely achieved given the close proximity of the pedestrian crossing and have residents and businesses been consulted if the proposal results in changes to or a relocation of the crossing point?
2. There is a flood risk at this site (Flood Zone 3) and we would expect the comments of the Environment Agency dated 2 August 2021 to be taken into account before any assessment and decision with respect to this application is made. We would also wish to see consultation with the Environment Agency through every stage given the site's proximity to the culvert.
3. There appears to be limited on-site parking provision and we would expect additional measures to be in place given the incorporation of retail and business units. Our observations and experiences with the nearby Tesco Express is that many shoppers choose to park on the road or kerbside despite dedicated parking being available – this causes major traffic problems and safety issues on occasion.
4. The plans show restricted outside space and relatively poor outdoor facilities for future occupants. We feel that the amenity space requires significant improvement.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Best regards

Simon Bold  
Clerk, for and on behalf of, Whyteleafe Village Council