

PLANNING REF : 243125
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 11 Remenham Row
: Wargrave Road, Henley-On-Thames, Oxfordshire
: RG9 2LQ
SUBMITTED BY : Mr Derick Silver
DATE SUBMITTED : 26/01/2025

COMMENTS:

I wish to strongly object to this planning proposal which will have a detrimental effect on Remenham Row properties, being Thamesfield's closest neighbours and those directly impacted.

We were not invited to the consultation event held by Retirement Vill ages Group (RVG) back in October 2024 and were only able to attend when by chance somebody told one of the residents at Remenham Row. Otherwise we would have only known about it when the planning application was submitted.

The proposal to build a three storey block of apartments at a height of 10.86 metres, replacing a single storey building, directly facing properties at Remenham Row will result in the loss of light, view and privacy. The proposal to include windows and balconies directly facing numbers 1 - 5 Remenham Row would allow occupants of the apartments to look directly into bedrooms, bathrooms and living rooms of these properties, which is totally unacceptable. Although my house is set back from the proposed building it will still alter my skyline and view.

The proposed materials to be used being of grey ceramic cladding and red brick are not in keeping with current buildings on the Thamesfield site, nor with the surrounding area and will also be seen from the

opposite side of the river. It is important to remember that this is a Conservation Area.

The proposed building would dominate the Remenham Row estate and inevitably would have a detrimental effect on property prices.

RVG cannot currently fill their existing apartments and a proposal to build a further 17 apartments is nonsensical. Apart from Thamesfield, there are a number of other retirement/care homes within Henley and the surrounding area. For example, units at a McCarthy Stone retirement development, Albert Court in Henley, which was opened in 2018 have still not all been sold/let.

Thamesfield location is not the most ideally situated for older people as it is still some distance to walk over the bridge and into Henley town.