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Mr Howard Smith
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Dear Mr Smith,
Ref: 22/1145/FUL

I would like to object most strongly against the planned redevelopment of Haven Banks.

Whilst I accept that the area needs to be redeveloped I consider the proposed buildings to be far too tall and not in keeping with the surroundings.

The buildings, that can only be described as tower blocks will loom over the houses on the outskirts of the development, blocking out daylight/sunlight and leave the residents devoid of privacy.

The appearance of the quayside would be adversely changed due to the excessive proportions of the buildings. They should be much lower/smaller, less intrusive and built in brick more in keeping with the other structures around them.

I cannot see from the plans that any of the trees, which presumably have TPOs on them are to be replaced. How is this so in a time when climate change is so high on the council's green agenda?

I am perturbed by the fact that there is no parking on the site not only for those who will be living there but also for all the visitors to the quayside shops, restaurants and other businesses. Where are these vehicles supposed to go? This is not London, we are a rural city and the transport infrastructure is insufficient.

A reduction in parking would mean a reduction in visitors and therefore revenue for those businesses that have already struggled over the past few years. This proposal is likely to cause the quay to become a less than satisfactory tourist destination for visitors .

Alternative car parks are either too far away or on a slope, which would be unsuitable for many. The loss of the bridge

linking the two sides of the river means that there is only a narrow alley to walk through, which is not a pleasant proposition especially at night. This could adversely affect the businesses on both sides of the river.

The quayside is such an historic site and should be treated as so. Redevelopment is the obvious solution for part of the site but leaving a car park for those mentioned above. The proposed plan is completely out of proportion for the site and it's surroundings.

If this was the Cathedral Green would the plan be acceptable? It has been suggested that the façade of the Clarence Hotel site must be in keeping with the area so why doesn't the same rule apply to the Quay?

I would like this to be accepted as my objection.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Johnson

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