

Epsom Civic Society

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Place Development Service
Epsom & Ewell Council
Town Hall
Epsom

29th September 2020

Dear Sirs,

Ref: Planning Application 20/01185/LBA Chalk Lane Hotel OBJECTION

The Epsom Civic Society have reviewed this Planning Application for the conversion of the Chalk Lane Hotel into 21 dwelling units and wish to object to the proposed scheme.

Our main concern is the proposed closing off of the main entrance courtyard with a high brick wall. The location of the wall severely changes the key view of the site at the junction of Chalk Lane and Woodcote End. The sight lines from Maidstone House and the other properties to the west side of Woodcote End are also affected by the height and location of this wall.

This Listed Building is located at a predominant central position within The Chalk Lane Conservation Area. The site is located at a delightful 'back water' of Epsom and lies within our best CA and we need to continue to protect our heritage and environment.

We believe that this application does not meet the requirements of Development Management Policy DM 9 due to the fact that the wall is not compatible with the local character and distinctiveness. The wall does not suit the surrounding historic and natural environment. When assessing this proposal we do not consider that it complies with the Chalk Lane CA Appraisal Study.

Yours Faithfully
The Epsom Civic Society (Bob Hollis)

