

Robert Coomber,
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LB. Hounslow
By email

ref: BCC 831
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Dear Mr Coomber,

**Planning Application: Ajar Building Harlequin Avenue.
Comments adopted by the Brentford Community Council.**

The Planning Consultative Committee of the BCC received a presentation of this application on February 12 2018.

My committee have asked me to write to you to give our full support for Ajar to stay on their site and to expand their business.

We have noted that the present buildings are inadequate and that expansion is required.

However, we do not accept that a six floor building would be appropriate nor that the cladding proposed, which takes no account of its setting is suitable in this location.

If the building were reduced to four floors, possibly being extended to incorporate adjacent properties, we would fully support the application.

The present design would be unacceptable when seen from the Great West Road. It is understood that the buildings of New Horizon Court are to be retained and they would form the immediate context for the application.

We are further concerned at the proximity of the application scheme to the Gillette listed building. We note that another application affecting the "setting" of this important landmark building was recently refused.

In addition, this part of the borough is on high ground and buildings forming silhouettes can be seen from long distances. A six floor building could affect the character of quite distant areas. The "Heritage Townscape and Visual Assessment" prepared by the applicant should cover all the areas which could be adversely affected.

Yours sincerely

Denis Browne
Chairman, Planning Consultative Committee BCC