



The Friends of Abingdon
Civic Society

Comments on Planning Application 12/V0870/FUL

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This application involves the demolition of Champion House, 12 Wootton Road, Abingdon, and its replacement by 24 sheltered apartments.

Members of Friends of Abingdon feel that the comments made about the previous application, in which the Appeal was dismissed by the Inspector, still apply to the current application. We are still concerned at the density of the proposed development and the effect of a large building on the character of the surrounding area. Although there are some changes to the design there is still a large building three storeys in height relatively close to the front of the site. This would dominate the roadside scene and fail to maintain the green character of this part of Wootton Road.

We still feel that the proposal for building containing 24 apartments is overdevelopment of the site. We think that 8 parking spaces are not sufficient for this type of development, and that there is not enough amenity area outside the building.

We therefore recommend refusal of this application.

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