

Re planning applications RU17/1089, RU17/1090 and RU17/1062

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Egham Residents' Association shares a number of concerns that have been brought to our attention about the planning applications – listed above – for 56 Runnemede Road, Egham.

There are apparent oddities to these applications. For example, RU17/1062 refers to a "garage", but the applicant says the building would be used mainly for cycles. The large size of the building leads one to ask: How many bikes and why? It also plants suspicion – which may well be completely unfounded – that a use other than that stated is actually envisaged.

Is the proposed "outbuilding" not too big for its location? Might it not have an 'overpowering' impact on neighbouring properties?

An impression is being given that these applications are designed to allow 56 Runnemede Road to join the ranks of houses of multiple occupancy in Egham already serving the student needs of Royal Holloway College. The ERA has been objecting to this process for many, many months. Drop by drop, Egham is being relentlessly turned into another Holloway campus, and Runnymede Borough Council really must wake up and act to stop it going any further.

We are aware that flooding questions are being asked of the council with regard to these planning applications, and we also have these concerns.

Yours faithfully,

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