


Rivermead Residents Association

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Chief Planning Officer, Nottingham City Council

Dear sir/madam

On behalf of the residents of Rivermead, Wilford Lane, West Bridgford, we are writing to express our concern and deep dismay over the proposed plans for development of Victoria Embankment.

We have been informed recently, albeit at very short notice, of the Council's plans for this area, namely

- a Public House in the Memorial Gardens
- erection of the Energy Tower and associated buildings
- erection of a wind turbine

Those of us who live in Rivermead are bombarded by 24x7 traffic noise (the volume of which is certain to increase once the two new schools and additional housing are completed). Consequently, being able to enjoy the peace and tranquillity of the Embankment is very important.

Looking at these developments individually:

- There are already two public houses on the actual embankment, several more on Trent Bridge, plus numerous others in West Bridgford and the Meadows. Such developments are totally against the spirit in which that land was donated to the people of the City. The Memorial Garden is already in its best possible use, as pleasant parkland where anyone can peacefully enjoy their leisure time. In between the excellent organised events, people of all the great spread of human diversity can be seen walking, cycling, fishing or simply taking the family for a game in the park.
- Projects such as the proposed Energy Tower are likely to have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of Rivermead residents, most of whom envisage more traffic, more noise, more alcohol and by implication, more anti-social behaviour.
- Wind Turbines are a fine idea in their appropriate place, but what exactly is the intended purpose of this one? They are known to create a considerable amount of noise and may we remind you that sound is amplified as it travels over water.

Finally, some requests:

- Please include us on mailing list for future plans so residents can be kept informed.
- Please can we have an open meeting when we can see the full extent of the plans for the Embankment? The Internet version requires intensive map study and actually visiting the Council Offices is impractical for many working people with limited time during the day
- Please forward your response to me at the above address.

With kind regards, yours sincerely

John Turner, Hon Sec RRA