

Consultation

A joint response has been provided by the three Members of the Stowe ward:

We note that the survey and valuation presumes that the premises will be restored to residential use and we would envisage no problems with that. I also note that the Cabinet papers issued subsequently consider including a condition to ensure necessary renovations are completed within a set time. We are, however, anxious about other potential uses for the property, such as a restaurant, and the consequent impact on residential amenities in Levetts Fields. The residents of Levetts Fields were the victims of the District Planning Officers decision to ignore the call-in of the KFC development made by our predecessors as Councillors for Stowe. We have had complaints from distressed residents about noise and odour from the KFC restaurant and feel that more stringent conditions might have been imposed if that application had gone to committee. We recognise the opportunity this speculative offer presents to the Council but we would urge that the Cabinet does everything possible to protect the current residents of Levetts Fields who already feel that the Council has ignored their legitimate concerns.