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**Subject:** 24/03413/PINS - representations

Hi,

I am a local resident and I would like to comment on the following planning application:

24/03413/PINS

Ref: S62A/2024/0059

Site Address: Murco Filling Station Hampton Road Bristol BS6 6JA

(aka. MFG Redland Service Station, Hampton Road, Redland, Bristol, BS6 6JA)

I am concerned about possible noise issues while people wait for their vehicles to charge - especially at night. And potentially any noise emitted by the new electrical equipment.

There would also be an incentive to develop more facilities for people to use while they wait, making the whole operation more than just a quiet local filling station.

I also disagree with two of the main arguments in the planning application.

1. That it will make any significant contribution to solving the EV charging problem.

This is a Victorian residential area which comprises almost entirely on-street parking over a very wide area. As such, four chargers at a filling station will barely make any difference to the EV charging problem for local residents. Some other solution is required.

2. Downplaying the impact on the heritage value of the area.

\* Minimising the heritage value of the area by specifically mentioning only Melville Court ('a plain, three storey flatted building of no architectural merit' Planning Statement, Section 2.3) and Hampton Court ('a modern red brick three storey terrace' Planning Statement, Section 2.4). These are almost the only non-Victorian buildings in the area. Contrary to their statement that 'the properties along Hampton Road are ... of mixed character' (Planning Statement, Section 2.5) - they are Victorian houses almost without exception.

\* Minimising the heritage value of the area by describing it as 'highly urban' (Planning Statement, Section 6.29)

\* Implying that any existing degradation is justification for further degradation. They quote from the Conservation Area Enhancement Statement of 1993:

Planning Statement, Section 6.21: 'this character has been marred by some post-war reconstruction, particularly where petrol filling stations, car showrooms and garages have been erected'

Planning Statement, Section 6.22: 'within the shopping streets of the Conservation Area the character has been eroded by the installation of unsympathetic shop fascias and illuminated signs'

So the filling station itself seems to be the worst culprit here. There aren't any shops on Hampton Road apart from the filling station.

regards,

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