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Submission: Objection

Comments: I wish to strongly object to this planning application due to serious concerns about the suitability, security and safety of this location.

There is a documented history of patients leaving the former site without permission. Previous planning records and local reports have raised concerns about this, including reports from Horton St Michael's First School that patients who had left the hospital had been found within the school grounds, including areas where children played.

Given how close the hospital is to St Michael's School and Horton Lodge Community School, this is extremely concerning. I personally know a child who attends the nearby school, so this proposal causes me genuine concern for their safety, as well as for all pupils and staff.

I also know someone who works very close to the proposed hospital. They have personally experienced previous incidents involving patients which caused them distress and disruption, both personally and within the local community. They are also very concerned that this is not an appropriate location for a mental health facility.

I fully recognise the importance of mental health services, but the safety of patients, children, local residents and businesses must also be properly considered. Given the site's history, its close proximity to two schools and previous concerns about patients leaving the site, I ask the council to refuse this application.

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