

Cabinet decision, 11 December 2024: Office to residential conversions to accommodate homeless families – Chesham House – Grounds for Call-in

1. As the site has been rejected for residential conversion once, I am concerned as to whether we will be able to deliver lawful and practical accommodation in the same building.
2. Suitable nature of accommodation. A previous planning application for the site, converting it to flats, was rejected.
3. I am concerned at the lack of detail with regards to whether these will be self contained units or offer some form of communal/shared facility.
4. I would like more information about any on-site security and/or support being provided.
5. I am concerned as to whether the building can be made suitably fire-safe.
6. There should be a value for money assessment. Would it be cheaper and faster to procure homes on the open market?