

Dear Mr Toole

Ref: APP/21/00156

Our garden abuts 15.5 metres of the garden of 77 Havant Road. We wish to record our objections to this planning application as currently presented on the following grounds:

- **Effect on privacy.** The existing 3 upper floor windows on the north and east elevations overlook our house and garden. The proposed development increases the number of upper floor windows on these elevations from 3 to 5 windows representing a substantial and unacceptable encroachment on our privacy. As a minimum we would expect these 2 additional windows to be fitted with obscured glass. This is implied but not specified on the submitted application.

The proposed elevations legend refers to a 'parapet' on the new flat roof that wraps around the north and west elevations. The plans as submitted do not specify the height of this parapet. The drawing appears to show windows opening onto this flat roof. We would want confirmation that this is indeed the case and that there is no current or future intention to install a balcony or terrace on this flat roof and that as verbally stated on 16.3.21 by the case officer any balcony or terrace would require additional planning consent. This flat roof will have full sightlines into our garden and the rear of our house and any use of this flat roof for purposes other than maintenance would have a substantive negative impact on our privacy and enjoyment of our own garden.

- **Design and appearance.** This application for full planning permission fails to specify the colour of the proposed the cladding or the render. The areas to be rendered or clad will be extensive and if permission is granted this will substantially alter the appearance of this property. The colour scheme needs to be specified before any consent is granted to ensure that the colour scheme is in keeping with other properties in the vicinity.

- **Noise.** Over the past year we have been forced to endure a high level of anti-social noise emanating from the 'social area' south of the 60 square metre 'entertainment centre'. Our garden has 5.5 metre immediately abutting this 'social space'. The proposed changes to the rear of the property include 2 sets of bi-fold doors on the north elevation with a clear intention to create another 'social space' in this area. The proposed 3 metre rear extension and the 3 metre canopy will doubtless be extended into a patio area all of which brings inevitable noise pollution that will prevent us from enjoying our own garden.

In addition to these objections we would also want to record our concerns in the following areas:

1. The submitted location plan fails to include the 60 metre square entertainment centre already constructed.
2. The property currently has 6 spotlights installed on the north elevation and these have been left on for many hours at night shining directly into our bedroom windows. In addition, the large number of two directional garden lights and under- canopy lights fitted to the recreation centre have been left on night and day. Recently a written request by a neighbour has resulted in these lights being switched off at times. We would need an assurance that the proposed extension on the north and east elevation does not result in increased outdoor lighting as this compromises our enjoyment of our own house , garden and the night sky.
3. During 2019/20 the development of the entertainment centre, building the pool and other garden re-modelling as close neighbours we had to endure the noise of demolition, ground work and construction over many months, typically extending into the weekends and outside normal working hours. We would expect HBC to impose a condition to limit working hours to 0800- 1700 Monday to Friday with no weekend or evening working allowed.
4. Although we are aware this is primarily a highways issue nonetheless we would expect HBC to impose a condition that during any future building work that the vehicles of both the occupiers and their contractors are parked off the highway, cycle path and pavement outside this property as there exists ample parking on-site. During the extensive groundwork and construction work at this property over the past 3 years there have been many occasions when their vehicles have been parked on the pavement and road seriously obscuring sightlines for vehicles exiting Park Crescent and also introducing a dangerous hazard for cyclists using the cycle path.

We hope and expect the objections and concerns detailed above are taken into full account in considering this application, If there are any issues you would like to clarify please do not hesitate to get in touch.

All 5 immediate neighbours to this property have sent in letters of objection to this application. HBC did not post a planning notice outside the property thus depriving any other interested parties making objections, for example on the grounds of the appearance of the front elevation. In view of these 2 considerations this application requires more detailed scrutiny and we would want confirmation that it will be considered and determined by the planning committee.

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Yours faithfully