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Dear Mr Toole,

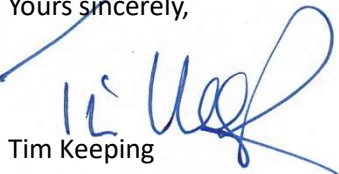
Ref: Planning Application APP/23/01057 – Erection of a 0.77 High Flood Protection Barrier

We were notified of the above application as the owner of a neighbouring property by letter received on 8th April 2024.

The application and the likely impact on our premises should it go ahead has since been discussed by members of our Estates Committee. Following this I am afraid we must OBJECT to the development due to the significant negative impact this would have on the fabric and structure of our Clubhouse. The eastern elevation of the club premises faces approximately ESE and as such is already exposed to erosion and the impact of wave action generated by winds with a southerly or easterly element. At present there is a degree of attenuation of this wave action afforded by the sea wall as waves are able to break over the top thus losing some of their damaging energy. If this development were to go ahead not only would this attenuation be reduced due to the increased height of the wall, but the power of the waves would be amplified and deflected towards the eastern wall of our property causing further damage to an already exposed brick wall that requires regular maintenance and repair.

As fellow owners of a property in this exposed location we share the applicant's concern over the impact of increasing tidal heights and more frequent storms and would fully support an alternative proposal to prevent flooding of their property, perhaps an increase in height and waterproofing of the garden wall to the property itself may offer a better solution. We cannot however support a proposal that would result in inevitable damage to our own building.

Yours sincerely,



Tim Keeping
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