

I am writing to object on both the planning applications shown above as I am directly affected by the alterations.

My objection is directed to the **flue for the woodburner** but for the record the wood cladding on the Havant Road is unsightly and out of keeping with the original listed wall. I feel it should be removed.

These are in fact requests for retrospective planning permission as the work has already been undertaken and consequently the impact of this poorly planned installation is immediately apparent.

"Seafield"(6&7 Kinnell Close) was converted into two dwellings in 1975/1977 . "Seafield House"(Number 7) and "Little Seafield" (Number 6). Listed building ref: 1091624

Helyer Davies Architects acting as the agent for 7 Kinnell Close have not mentioned anywhere that the listed building "Seafield" is in fact 6&7 Kinnell Close. "Little Seafield" ( Number 6) having access to the private road -Kinnell Close.

"Seafield" was originally a farm house, with its Sea Field farmland stretching down to the shore. The present building includes historic features of the earlier property, identifiable internally by the flag stone floor and wide open stone fireplace in what is today "Little Seafield."

"Seafield" is an iconic Emsworth building with strong local history, its green roof providing a reference point for many. A former owner Noel Kinnell, was a key Emsworth benefactor and builder of the community.

The Flue to the log burner has been erected on the rear elevation of the conservatory which has a direct impact on "Little Seafield" as it forms an immediate boundary.(See plans)

There are 3 main considerations which should lead to the planning for the log burner and flue being rejected in it's current position:

### **A) Visual impact of a 4 metre Stainless Flue.**

1.It is a 4 metre high bright reflective stainless steel construction. (See Photo).This is incredibly unsightly and not sympathetic to the original building or gardens. The outlook from the main living room from "Little Seafield" is dramatically affected.

2.The final design of the safe flue is yet to be determined. It may need to be higher and even more of an incongruent addition to a listed building.

3.The application states the flue is black and plans are attached.  
There are NO plans specifically for the flue and it is NOT black. I do not think that it being black would be a redeeming feature.

## **B) Health Impact**

1.The flue is positioned in front of the two only openable windows on the front elevation of my house. The prevailing wind is South Westerly and the flue ends half way up my first floor sash window which faces SouthWesterly.

2.The risk of inhaling fumes and particulate matter expelled from the flue in its current position is high.The height of the flue is insufficient to stop smoke and fumes accumulating in the garden of Number 6 Kinnell Close.  
This will have a negative health effect on both myself and neighbouring residents depending on the wind direction.

3. The fact that the drawing attached to the application shows a small chimney in its current location is irrelevant as it was at a time when the house was not divided into two properties and Kinnell Close had not been developed. We have also learnt valuable lessons on health promotion in the last 100 years.

## **C) Legal Impact-The safety of the installation.**

It should be noted this was a DIY home installation, please could it be verified that it has been signed off by HETAS and Building Control.

1.The flue is not vertical because it is deviated by its position against the plastic guttering. It is advised that there should be a 430mm air gap away from combustible material.

The plastic guttering is on a shared boundary, the Conservatory, there is a fire risk.

2.Building Control (HBC October 11th 2021) -advise that log burners in conservatories are permitted development. However listed building consent is required- at the time of installation this consent was not in place.

3.Lloyds Home Insurance confirmed they would provide legal advice in case of any future damage but in the meantime told me to inform Fire Service. The

Fire Service said that Building Control would have jurisdiction over the safe installation of new woodburners.

In a historic town, the two Local Planning Authorities (Chichester District Council and Havant Borough Council) have worked hard to promote and reinforce local distinctiveness in the AONB. The alterations relating to 7 Kinnell Close have had a negative impact on a historic town and a listed building of great importance to the town.

Helyer Davies state in the the conclusion of the application:

“Overall, the proposals are to improve the appearance of the property at Seafeld House, and are to be constructed of carefully specified materials, sympathetic to the listed building and its historic setting within Emsworth.”

It is clear to see from the work carried out that this is not true. The position of the Satellite dish should also altered so that the negative visual impact for neighbours is reduced.

Poor quality materials have been used unsympathetically with no consideration for neighbouring properties or the impact these changes have on residents.