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Subject: RE: Planning Application APP/24/00096 Garage Compound, Whitsbury Road, Havant (5-objections or more)

Hi,

I am familiar with this planning application as a resident [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] contacted me to discuss their concerns. [REDACTED]

1. That the upper floors of the proposed build would overlook residents' gardens and the rear of properties on Prospect Lane.
2. That the access road from Whitsbury Road is too thin for emergency vehicles and refuse collection.
3. That the rear access from [REDACTED] Nursling Crescent, originally granted under licence from Portsmouth City Council will be blocked off during and after construction.
4. That the noise of construction will be too disruptive for residents, who live very close to the proposed site, and that the screening that could be put in place would be inadequate.
5. The loss of residents' parking would put pressure on residents and other road users who currently use this area. I note your comment that they currently have no right to park in this area and the technical note. Nevertheless it remains a concern.

I am not opposed to the planning application, but I do believe that it should be brought to the planning committee for discussion and submissions by residents.

3.2 indicates the garages will be demolished but there is concern from residents that the ownership of the garages isn't fully known and that some are, indeed, derelict but at least one is in use.

3.8 mentions bike storage and bin storage on the west of the site. This may block access from Nursling Crescent as the wall at the rear of the properties is not a solid wall but has a door built in. There is an electrical substation in that area too that may interfere with the development. The play area your report mentions tree planting but the surface of the area is concrete with no open earth. I am unsure how this would be achieved.

I am told that the rain run-off from the current site is inadequate and that the drain often floods during periods of heavy rain. Assuming no additional work would be carried out by Southern Water or the developers, it would seem likely that current drainage would be inadequate for residents too. Perhaps improvements to drainage and sewerage in the area could be used to separate rain run-off and waste water.

There is mention of these and many other points in your draft report

Thanks.

Jason Horton
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