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Planning Service
Public Service Plaza
Civic Centre Road
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33 Creek Road, Hayling Island PO11 9QZ

APP/22/00771 and APP22/00766 and APP/22/00765

Request to Refer to Development Planning Committee - not delegated officers

OBJECTION

We object to all of the above planning except the replacement boundary wall.

When we bought our house, we experienced noise from only one business (GB Autos), from the premises. The business noise was minimal, the area was peaceful and residential which allowed us to enjoy the sea and beach noises. This peace has been shattered.

In the spring of 2019 our complaints began, to Planning and Environmental Health.

Information was provided by the Planning Department which confirmed that the site has Sui Generis or single business use planning approval. **This approval suited the original use of the land as part of a Service Station/garage and in our opinion, this remains the most suitable type of planning approval in this increasingly residential/retirement area.**

Over recent years, planning has approved the replacement of business premises with domestic residences. This site of multiple business occupancy has proved to be extremely noisy, smelly and disruptive and is contrary to this increasingly more residential trend.

The erection of an extractor flu has encouraged new businesses undertaking fibreglass works and paint spraying which have adversely affected us with paint and fibreglass fumes, dust and smells together with high-pitched power tool usage.

It should also be noted that we have concerns that if we can smell paint then we may be exposed to harmful particulates. We have had to rewash clothes which smelled of paint after hanging in our garden and have had to keep windows shut to exclude paint smells.

The additional storage has encouraged further outdoor works, from another business which has adversely affected us with the seemingly constant noise from the use of pressure washers, sanders/polishers and other high-pitched tools outside of the units. There are also frequent shouted verbal interactions with customers.

The multiple businesses have kept irregular and antisocial work hours to include weekends, bank holidays and regular outside of normal office working hours.

A member of the Planning Team suggested that if the planning were to be granted it might be possible to impose working hours restrictions to the site – I have no confidence that this would be adhered to as these additional businesses have been operating, with flagrant disregard of any existing planning restrictions, whenever and however they please. They have ignored/failed to meet countless Planning deadlines to correct this.

The Human Rights Acts should afford us the right to enjoy our home peacefully.

We have been unable to spend time in our garden because of this antisocial behaviour from our errant neighbours.

To summarise we object to multiple business use of the premises as it inevitably leads to multiple businesses noises, dust/vapour and smells. We have concerns with regard to paint spraying and fibre glass work as these chemical heavy businesses should be contraindicated in residential areas.

Given that our complaints date from early 2019, I am disappointed that this has taken so long to result in Planning action and that the deadline for objections is so tight. Many of our neighbours are elderly, loath to complain about things and do not use the internet. They may rely on family to assist them in their objections.

We would welcome a visit to our property so that the Planning Team can appreciate our position and difficulties – before 6th October would be ideal!

We and our neighbours, as taxpayers, have all been neglected through poor service from Planning. Covid has been offered as an explanation but it did not stop the businesses on the Creek Road Premises from operating and as key workers, we worked all through it!

I have emailed this objection to: planning.development@havant.gov.uk and would appreciate confirmation of its receipt. I will also post this letter to Public Service Plaza.

Yours faithfully,

