

Planning Services Department,
(attn. Mr. J. Toole)
Havant Borough Council.

Your ref: APP/20/00/00774.

23 September, 2000.

Dear Sir,

Re: 110 Southleigh Road, Havant, P09 2PS.

Thank you for your communication of 18 Sep. 20 advising of your receipt of an application to extend and re-develop the referred property. I welcome the opportunity to comment on the application.

Key Areas of Objection:

1. [REDACTED]

I have been domiciled in the area before the subject property and adjacent developments were erected and have witnessed considerable degradation to the amenities, conservation and loss of countryside/open space in the surrounding area over that time. To date, however, development has largely been acceptable, being of similar scale, design and size (3-4 bedroom detached/semi-detached dwellings). This proposal would detract from that, being a building more than double in size and greatly out of proportion and character with surrounding

properties and in relation to its restricted plot size. In essence, I submit, the proposed extension would go beyond reasonably acceptable limits in this locality. Further, because of the restricted site and access, disruption and safety issues during the construction phase would be wholly unacceptable and pose considerable risk.

2. The current property [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] at present has no windows (conservatory excepted) on the elevation [REDACTED] [REDACTED] similarly, the current single-story garage extension is largely shielded [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. However, the proposal significantly changes this perspective. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] which is unacceptable and objectionable. [REDACTED]

The height of the proposed 1st floor extension [REDACTED] would dominate [REDACTED] and block the majority of the natural daylight / sunlight [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Further, the barrier created by this elevation would, I believe, adversely affect reception of both terrestrial and satellite television which is received from a south-easterly direction [REDACTED]

3. If this application were to be allowed, the resulting structure would be a dominating building [REDACTED], blocking natural light and invading the privacy [REDACTED] of at least 4/5 others in its adjacent group of properties and of those it abuts in Spindle Wares. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In addition, plus other potential factors of resultant traffic increase, noise and appearance is certain to have a marked negative effect on property values [REDACTED]

It should be noted that increasing area development over the past three decades has already had a restraining influence on local property values.

4. Aside from the resulting structure, I have reservations about this application in terms of site access and the construction phase.

The scale of the proposed re-development would

Suggest a lengthy and disruptive construction period and a considerable amount of plant, machinery and delivery vehicles. The resultant noise, disturbance, dust and increased pollution we would have to endure would be most unpleasant

Although not directly affected, I would also draw attention to the inevitable inconvenience adjacent households' would suffer; in particular problems to effect access/egress on the narrow private driveway access.

The sheer size of the proposed development would obviate all materials and construction/delivery vehicles, etc. being confined to the reduced (already constructed) site, I believe blockage issues cannot be avoided.

There is also concern for road safety in Southleigh Road in the vicinity of the driveway entrance (where restricted visibility is already an issue) and around the adjacent bus stop. Were vehicles to be parked on the road outside (Southleigh Road) road safety becomes considerably impacted. I cannot envisage any alternative to traffic disruption and potential safety issues such as the blinding off of visibility of the entrance to traffic heading southwards and the obstruction of the pavement to pedestrians and cyclists. This area has witnessed considerable increases in traffic flow in recent years and this is especially a factor at

'choke' periods (travel at rush hour, school runs and following extended closure of the level crossing at Watlington station, for example). This can only add to increased noise and pollution for adjacent properties.

In conclusion, I submit that this application is disproportionate to the scale of the site and would have a lasting, detrimental effect on a not inconsiderable number of local households. The proposed re-build is totally out of character with the area and represents an unnecessary intrusion into the lives of neighboring residents whose current lifestyles would be compromised. This application represents an overdevelopment of a restricted plot which would result in adverse and lasting effects on neighbors' amenities and quality of life and, respectfully, should be refused in consequence.



Yours sincerely,

