

15TH MAY 2024

Hi Ben,

Please find the attached evidence that will need to be submitted today.



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The enclosures list (scan 0666) also needs to go with this. I have provided the contents of the email that needs to be sent with this evidence below.

Dear Mr Flynn,

Thank you for allowing us the time to provide a planning application. Unfortunately, the 28 days time frame you have allowed is insufficient and therefore we have instructed our planning advisor to prepare our evidence which you have indicated you will consider in determining the expediency to take formal action against the alleged breach of planning control.

The evidence we rely on is by way of a 'planning statement' with extensive photographic evidence showing the site and its surroundings. The examples we have provided are of similar structures within the locality of the site and are only a small representation of what actually exists within the Hazleton Estate as a whole. Taking this evidence into account we have been advised that any enforcement notice issued to remove this structure, which will be completely screened by the existing landscaping within an acceptable time, is more than likely to be quashed at appeal.

We have been advised that we will need to pay double the fees under ground 'a' of any planning appeal we make, but that is a consequence of not having enough time to prepare an application as you would under normal circumstances, that would offer the opportunity to provide the same planning statement and evidence that we are providing now.

The planning system is not designed to punish people for having the right to enjoy the property they own. It is in place to permit development that accords policies that are adopted within Local Plans. It is a matter of fact and degree that national planning policy and the policies the LPA refer to "*seek to ensure development responds positively to the context of the area, are of high-quality design and correspond with or enhance surrounding development and are sensitively integrated with no adverse effects on the street scene and visual amenity*". Whilst it would be a stretch to say the development is of high quality design it is in context with its setting and the surrounding area. Moreover, it will not be visible when the landscaping has matured satisfying local distinctiveness within the street scene.

We hope that you will consider the evidence favourably and make the decision to take no further action in these proceedings. Thank you. Kind regards Mr and Mrs Bassett.