

Mr Toole, I believe you are the case officer for the above planning application.

My husband and I live at [REDACTED]
the property at 17 Summerhill road, which is the subject of this application.

The application consists of several parts, and to our knowledge has not yet had full planning approval. The standard letter issued to neighbouring properties etc is dated 01st March and obviously did not arrive in the post until after 01st March, but we see that the closing date for neighbouring property owners to comment was 06th March (3 working days after the letter was issued), and a 'further details' letter was issued dated 06th March, again not arriving until after that date.

Our main concern at present is the building of the 'proposed patio and canopy' in the rear garden. Prior to being able to see the plans; we believed that the currently ongoing major construction work was 'ground works only'; essentially like a patio area only... however, as the last 4 plus weeks have gone on, we find a huge 14' plus high breeze block wall has been constructed which protrudes much much further from the rear of the back garden back in the direction of the house; than the plans led us to understand to be the case. Refer - proposed canopy document no 402.

Additionally a slightly lower wall; but still at least 3-4 ft above the existing 6-7 ft high fences is now being constructed as a continuation of the 'canopy' area a [REDACTED]; which absolutely does not show on the plans at all. The builder also leads us to believe this additional wall will essentially meet up with the newly planned 2 storey extension which is due to be constructed on the back of the house and will protrude into the back garden a good 4 metres further than the line of the rear of the existing house.

Conclusion of all of this, is that above a newly installed 6-7 ft high fence line, there will immediately behind that fenceline on the inside boundaries of nr 17 Summerhill Rd, be nothing but solid breeze-block walls; potentially in direct breach of the details shown on the planning application. This excessive wall both in its height and entire length is extremely intrusive and i fail to comprehend any local planning officer accepting such a monstrosity within the local borough planning regulations and guidelines the impact has been felt by both ourselves and the owners of No 19 as the height on their side is also above the fenceline and faces their actual front door. We do not wish to, nor had ever envisaged, nor understood from the planning application that we would end up looking at solid block walls along the entire boundary of our property (rear garden). Some of it may be rendered ultimately, but if it is left as breeze block, this is also a completely unacceptable eyesore and rather intimidating.

We also draw your attention to the fact that a 2 storey extension on the rear of this property; based on our reading of the plans appears that it will extend approximately 2 metres further into the back garden of nbr 17 than the existing rear boundary [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] we were not allowed to build further back into our rear garden area than aligning with the furthest point of the existing rear walls of neighbouring properties. What has changed that appears that this is ok for this to happen today?

We are concerned over the amount of construction which has already taken place at nbr 17, when the plans do not appear to have been approved by Havant Council as yet. And primarily that very high walls are now constructed where they are not shown on the proposed plans. We would welcome your urgent feedback on this, we have tried to call to speak with you, but were told the only method of communication we can use is e-mail. A visit to site or a phone call to my husbands mobile would be really appreciated....