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Hampshire.
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Your Ref. **APP/16/00465**

Dear Mrs. Lealan,

Apologies first of all if this has slightly missed any previous deadline. Unfortunately, following a motorcycle accident, this type of letter takes me some time to do. Under the D.D.A. 2010 I would consider it a 'reasonable adjustment' to have a slight extension.

We would like to take this opportunity to strongly voice our objections to any planning applications via Portsmouth City Council (*or any other interested parties*) for the proposed development of the field adjacent to the rear of our property.

One of the main reasons we chose to purchase this house was because of its quite location and lack of traffic by the fact that it's a Cul-de-Sac and we're not overlooked. What's being proposed will have the potential to increase the traffic by 18 vehicles (or more with visitors) whereas we currently have **three** passing with any regularity?

Fortunately there are rights designed to help protect us if a person or persons act so as to affect your quality of life or future income. I would say that the proposed development ticks both of those boxes. We can currently sit in our garden and it's quite possible to believe you're not part of a large housing estate. It's very quiet, no dogs barking, no loud music, the occasional BBQ several doors down but not often. The field is currently used by children, people exercising their dogs (respectfully) and I've used it regularly for training Barn Owls to fly free of their training line for the first time! I listen to music like most people watch Television but, I've never felt the need to inflict my choices on others.

Many people these days however, are not of the same mind-set.....

Quote from property developer: "Homeowners are spending more on their outdoor spaces in order to turn them into entertainment spaces. The garden has become the favourite place to entertain, and relax with family and friends and a trend has developed for taking the inside outside with elaborate furniture, BBQ cooking stations, ambient lighting and audio visual equipment all playing a part"***

We do not wish to have additional street lighting, ambient lighting, BBQ's and Wi-Fi speakers at the end of our garden. And if you don't think that additional dogs when you're a shift worker and sometimes sleeping during the day, doesn't affect your well-being...you're seriously misguided.

Quote from guidance on Planning ref. noise.

***As the exposure increases further, it crosses the lowest observed adverse effect level boundary above which the noise starts to cause small changes in behaviour and attitude, for example, having to turn up the volume on the television or needing to speak more loudly to be heard. The noise therefore starts to have an adverse effect and consideration needs to be given to mitigating and minimising those effects (taking account of the economic and social benefits being derived from the activity causing the noise). Increasing noise exposure will at some point cause the significant observed adverse effect level boundary to be crossed. Above this level the noise causes a material

change in behaviour such as keeping windows closed for most of the time or avoiding certain activities during periods when the noise is present. If the exposure is above this level the planning process should be used to avoid this effect occurring, by use of appropriate mitigation such as by altering the design and layout. Such decisions must be made taking account of the economic and social benefit of the activity causing the noise, but it is undesirable for such exposure to be caused.

Why do we need additional housing?

Quote from Government paper;

"Despite widespread anxiety about a shortage of housing supply, there are **610,123* empty homes** in **England**, (02/12/2015). Of these, 205,821 have been unoccupied for six months or more, the official definition of "long-term" emptiness".

Greater use needs to be made of EMDO's 'Empty Dwelling Management Orders'. These are meant to be homes not just opportunities for investment when interest rates are low. I'm aware that government tasks local authorities with coming up with a five year plan for development. And that you can be fined if you don't, even though land in your area may not be available. I can only assume that this bizarre road we find ourselves on is mainly due to 1 in 4 MP's and 104 members of the House of Lords having interests in property development!

Portsmouth Council's Parks and Open Spaces Strategy 2012-2022 which states at page 99:-

"Our level of publicly accessible open space per head of population is poor, lower than comparable cities and the national average (see section 7 on quantity standards). The State of the English Cities database estimates that the impact of proposed population growth will result in a further 15% decrease in the amount of open space per head of population in the 'Portsmouth urban area'. As a result, ensuring that no further open spaces are lost to development is essential to **maintaining the city as a pleasant and healthy place to live**".

Just because Portsmouth has ruined their immediate vicinity, I don't feel it's at all acceptable that they should now proceed to attempt to ruin ours! In regard to '**maintaining a pleasant and healthy place to live**'.....these green spaces are not just some random accident. They are part of the original town planner's remit to negate the effect of Urban Heat Islands.

Quote from governments own paper on town planning;

"Urbanization negatively impacts the environment mainly by the production of pollution, the modification of the physical and chemical properties of the atmosphere via the production and use of energy and the covering of the soil surface. Considered to be a cumulative effect of all these impacts is the UHI, defined as the rise in temperature of any man-made area, resulting in a well-defined, distinct "warm island" among the "cool sea" represented by the lower temperature of the areas nearby natural landscape (figure 1). Though heat islands may form on any rural or urban area, and at any spatial scale, cities are favoured, since their surfaces are prone to release large quantities of heat. Nonetheless, the UHI negatively impacts not only residents of urban-related environs, but also humans and their associated ecosystems located far away from cities. In fact, UHIs have been indirectly related to climate change due to their contribution to the greenhouse effect and therefore global warming".

I've seen the folders in Havant Council offices....there appear to be provisional applications for around 80%+ of the green spaces in our area. Despite numerous scholarly articles stating that they do serve a purpose. I take it Havant didn't send a representative to the Paris Summit last year, at which 1,000+ Mayors and local leaders committed to long-term climate goals such as a transition to 100% renewable energy in our communities, or a 80% greenhouse gas emissions reduction by 2050". Because I fail to see how that gels with the current path you're on!

Green Infrastructure and Climate change.

Providing space for sustainable urban drainage to absorb excess rainfall. Green spaces can provide an efficient and cost effective 'soakaway' for rain water and provide a natural cooling effect to mitigate the urban heat island.

Comment from The Telegraph 11th Jan.2015

The spaces in between are what make urban living bearable. It's not just the great formal parks that allow cities and their inhabitants to breathe, but the humble scraps of green space that lurk unexpectedly between buildings.

PCC 'A Greener Portsmouth' (PCS13).....

"The city council will...protect green infrastructure by refusing planning permission for proposals which would result in the net loss of existing areas of open space...and those which would compromise the overall integrity of the green infrastructure network, unless there are wider public benefits* from the development which outweigh the harm".

There are **not** wider public benefits * Dr. Patrick McSharry (Oxford University) recently stated that the UK's air pollution levels are now to be considered more detrimental to health than alcohol and/or high cholesterol figures. With a recent study in the BMJ linking atmospheric quality to mental issues in young children. Never have concerns regarding these issues been more relevant to the apparent unfettered march of unnecessary development* If a body continues to act, having been warned of potential problems and are aware by their actions they may have a detrimental effect on the well-being of others. Then there are definite avenues to pursue.

Article 1 of Protocol I to the ECHR as the "right to peaceful enjoyment of possessions" where the right to protection of property is defined as: Every natural or legal person is entitled to the peaceful enjoyment of his/her possessions. (This includes property) We would very much like to continue to enjoy our possessions over the few years we have left...without feeling that property is being over shadowed by others 'shoe horned' into every available space.

Population density in the United Kingdom is 697 people per sq. Mile. Pop.in China 381 people per sq. Mile. More densely populated per square mile than a country that had a birth control policy for thirty years. Okay...they're much larger than us (see attachment Page 5) with desert areas. So if you recalculate using the percentages of arable and pastoral land (ie.usable) for each country. **We still have more!** This is not difficult to imagine when you realise there are more people living in London than the entire populations of countries such as Finland, Norway, Switzerland and Denmark.

I would imagine now we've left the EU additional properties may also now become available...eventually.

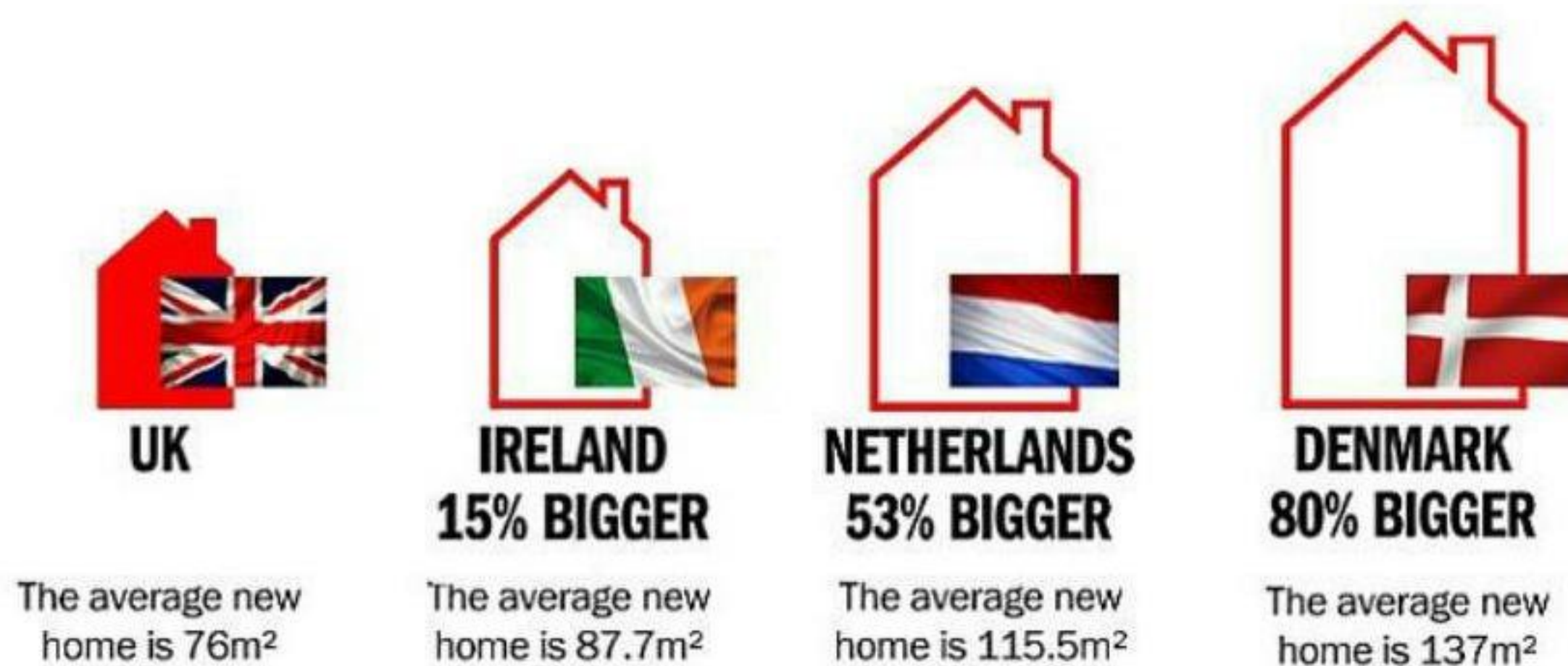
My job involves the production of both Military and Civil aircraft. Should those aircraft go wrong as a result of poor workmanship/defective material that wasn't spotted...I as an individual can end up in prison. We have posters around the factory depicting someone being led away in handcuffs to remind us of this. That's okay, I fully accept that it's a responsible job and you don't want to be at 10,000ft flying to your holiday destination in something that's ultimately going to be 'detrimental to your health'.

I believe that your job is also a very important job and that all of the individuals who may be responsible for sanctioning unnecessary development that may prove detrimental...should also be held accountable. I have first-hand experience of the unfortunate effects of indiscriminate planning approval. On February 19th this year I slid from my Motorcycle on Ice in Brockhampton Lane. I've never had cause to go that way before but, apparently the road had been awash with water for around 18mths to 2yrs. Which regularly froze on cold mornings. I'm not too sure why you considered it a good idea to give permission to build on a natural spring. Where did you expect the water to go? I'm aware that the road issue has now been resolved.

Comment from Housing Group**Avp Consultants Limited-Demographic Area Profile - CAMEO Summary. Area: PO9 2BQ****Area Type: Poorer Council Tenants Including Many Single Parents**

The residents of this group typically occupy low quality terraces and small flats in cosmopolitan towns and suburbs. The majority rent social housing from the council or through housing associations, although some are struggling to pay a mortgage. Within these neighbourhoods live poorly paid office and manual workers. Educational attainment is very low and unemployment is the highest in the UK. These are generally family and single areas. They are typically credit hungry, striving to make ends meet and are often unable to meet repayments. These individuals more often than not read the tabloid press.

Is this type of 'Cameo summary' solicited in order to determine the level of resistance to your proposals? Because it worked! In my 42 years as an adult I've only been unemployed for five days. I don't possess a credit card. I have an engineering degree and certainly don't read the tabloid press!



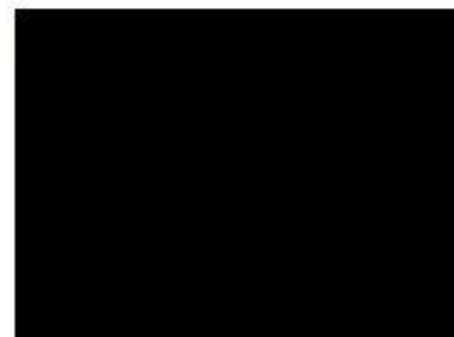
Some of the smallest homes on average across Europe for which (according to the OECD) we have the privilege of paying around 30% more. I can see why you consider it a suitable 'investment opportunity'.

OECD quote:

Considering that regulations and/or enforcement are not at present sufficient to provide inhabitants of OECD countries with a satisfactory acoustic environment and that complementary instruments are therefore necessary.

I'm not sure how your adding to the problem could in any way be considered complementary!

Yours Sincerely,



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We would fit neatly into the top right hand corner of China. The result of this disparity is that we have more people per usable square mile. England's population alone has gone from 9 to 65.1 million in 200 years! I don't see why the inability of government to control this aspect should result in a detrimental effect to me. I realise why this particular style of development is done as the infrastructure is already in place. Gas, electricity, water and drainage....already there!

Less outlay for you, more profit! Only, as I said before, **those green spaces are there for a reason.**