

PLANNING REF : 262110
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Parkhill
: Church Lane, Arborfield Berkshire, Berkshire
: RG29JA
SUBMITTED BY : Mr Andrew Braysher
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COMMENTS:

We would like to object to the recent planning application 262110 which is to vary condition 4 of the planning application 232075

When the original planning application number 232075 was submitted we strongly objected to the first floor windows that would over look our property, both front and back, but we were assured that our privacy would be respected by means of the conditions attached to the approval.

When the extension was built and the windows installed this proved not to be the case, the intrusion on our day to day life became intolerable, so much so we installed a screen between the two properties in order to regain some but not all of our privacy.

Some months later an enforcement officer visited our house regards the screen and once they saw why we had put a screen up they said that they would investigate if Apple Tree Cottage had breached their planning consent by nature of the windows they had installed.

It then transpired the windows that over looked our property were in breach of the approved planning consent.

The planning condition regards these windows clearly states ' The windows will be non-opening unless the parts of the window which can be opened are more than 1.7 meters above the finished floor level' the actual windows installed are fully opening and open at 1.3m, pictures have since been supplied to the enforcement officer by way of evidence of this

The installation of these windows was certainly no mistake by Mr and Mrs Haughton and their builders, they knowingly fitted these windows at the wrong height and made them fully opening, showing a total disregard to the planning consent granted.

We would like to request that condition 4 remains unchanged and that the offer to fit opening restrictors is totally rejected, these are in effect latches which in time can be removed to allowing the windows to fully open as they do now.

Condition 4 in its original wording is so important to neighboring properties as it safeguards privacy and quality of life and it should not be watered down in any way

Regards

Andrew Braysher
Parkhill, Church Lane Arborfield

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We would also like to draw to your attention 2 other breaches that since been reported regards Mr and Mrs Haughton of Apple Tree Cottage

Breach of condition No 9, Protection of Trees, two large established trees cut down and removed to make way for a larger car park and an unauthorised extension to the rear

Breach of condition No 8, Protection of Bats and other priority species, two bright external lighting schemes have been installed both to the front and the rear of the property