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2022/5608/P	Anna Voutta	16/07/2023 18:59:21	OBJ	<p>Overall plan; we have asked flat 3 to let us have a copy of their surveyor's report but we did not get it as apparently it is with their architect so presumably there are problems. Therefore we are concerned.</p> <p>Roof solar panels and roof-windows: The proposal means that flat 3 are taking up the entire roof with panels or windows, it does not seem right that they plan to use the whole space, given that the roof is jointly owned by the three freeholders. Therefore we are against the solar panels and large roof window.</p> <p>Roof solar panels: The roof is jointly owned and we have enough problems with the roof already without large heavy solar panels attached to it. Even though it has recently been re-felted (March 2021) there are already new leaks. We have no information on the panels weight and size nor how they will be affixed to the roof nor the manner of installation, all of which will undoubtedly lead to more roof repairs over time. Frequent scaffolding is not pleasant for neighbours and expensive for us for no benefit. Therefore we are against the solar panels.</p> <p>Roof solar panels: Flat 3 have just now suggested sharing the output from the panels but the lack of information already at this stage does not bode well and we expect nothing but problems would result for instance, who is selecting the type/ brand of panels, and paying for them? Flat 3's response to our questions regarding size, weight and the manner of installation, electrical supply and the cables etc, was that they had no idea as yet. All of these factors will impact potential damage to the roof and are unresolved. Therefore we are against the solar panels.</p> <p>Large rectangular roof-window above the staircase: There is currently a very large window on the landing in flat 3 that lights up their stair/hall area. Flat 3 state that it does not provide much light, however, we have windows (smaller and clearly lower down) in this wall at ground level and find there is plenty of light. Why is even more light above a staircase particularly needed, given the risk each roof-window poses as a potential leaking point and the larger it is the more issues to be expected. We are also concerned this window could be used like a door in the future to access the roof as a terrace. Also as aforementioned we already have considerable expense with the roof and such a large window with undoubtable add to this with great risk of leaks over such a large space. Therefore we are against the large roof-window.</p> <p>New righthand-side (Fairhazel Gardens side) window in wall and 2 small roof-windows for office, and new lefthand-side window in wall for ensuite: We are fine with these. However, we have been advised by previous roofer/builder that the wall on the RHS of the house and the 2 chimneys need repointing and we are concerned that the installation of the window in this wall and on this part of the roof will make the chimneys and bricks in the wall more unstable.</p>