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This is clearly a major building undertaking unlikely to be achieved in less than a year and it might take considerably longer. The planned lowering of the floor level by 150 mm will need many skips and or lorry movements. We have been unable to see any reference to site access and parking for construction and builder's vehicles. If as we suspect the plans are to use Christchurch Hill, then there will inevitably be increase traffic flow in what is already a single lane one-way street. There is already a regular traffic flow down Christchurch Hill and a great many children walking to and from school, neither of which occurs in Gainsborough Gardens. Use of Christchurch Hill could well present a serious Health and Safety issue. Currently Ocado and other delivery vehicles seldom have to double-park. Extra construction traffic will frequently result in a blockage.

We dread a year's inconvenience, noise and disruption which will blight our street.

We note the air heat pump's proposed siting is as far as possible away from no. 9 which brings it closer to our home at No. 25 Christchurch Hill. There are many remedial things that can be done to reduce noise such as a sound blanket wrap that fits snugly round the compressor, as well as vibration isolation dampener mounts on the compressor bolts. Any permission granted should insist on some such measures. There is no mention of the maximum decibel level the pump will emit in the winter. The planning permission should specify.

The construction of a large free standing garden room makes one anxious as to its proposed use. Is to be wired and plumbed? Bathroom? Kitchen? A party venue? It should not permit overnight use. It its a pity the plans are to reduce the size of the garden by so much in a conservation area.

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