

I write on behalf of residents in Torriano Cottages, as chair of the residents' association. We discussed this planning application at a recent residents' meeting. We have serious concerns that access to our street from Torriano Avenue may be blocked by scaffolding or vehicles delivering materials etc if the proposed work goes ahead.

57 Torriano Avenue is situated between the playground of Torriano Primary School and the narrow entrance to Torriano Cottages, which is a unadopted public right of way, maintained by residents at their expense. The house has a small parking space at the rear and a small front garden.

A few years ago, works were carried out at this address to convert the lower maisonette into the existing Burrow Lodge on the lower ground floor and 57B on the ground floor. At that time scaffolding was erected in the roadway without prior permission or notification, causing a major obstruction to vehicle traffic, preventing access by refuse trucks and posing a risk to pedestrians including families walking to school.

Residents request that permission for the proposed works should only be granted if the works can be carried out without obstruction to the roadway of Torriano Cottages. All access to the property should be from Torriano Avenue.

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