Henry, Genna

From: Phillips, Kate

Sent: 09 September 2015 15:16

To: Planning

Subject: FW: Planning application 2015/3109/P - logged in M3 11/09 GH

Hi – could the comments below please be logged to 2015/3109/P.

Thanks.

Kate

From:

Sent: 09 September 2015 13:46

To: Phillips, Kate;

Subject: Planning application 2015/3109/P

Dear Kate

I realise that we might have missed the date by which to comment on this project but the extensive works planned for number 3 Aldred Road have only very recently come to our attention. We have not received any communication regarding the plans or indeed the scale of the developments to the terraced houses in our street which very much surprises me. How are neighbours and other residents to know when such plan are submitted? Surely the first we hear should not be when the builders move in

Now we have seen the plans for number 3 on the council planning website we can say with some certainty the project will have a substantial impact on our own property and garden.

Our main objection is the height of the rear third floor extension. We live at number 5 and this third storey room will have a huge impact on the rear of our property when sitting outside in our back garden. The houses and gardens in Aldred Road are not spacious and to build a further storey at the rear will ruin the current vista or horizon from the garden and would feel both imposing and oppressive. We have Orestes Mews at the foot of our garden built many years ago, I understand under dubious circumstances, to then now build above the current skyline on our terraced properties would only add to the encroachment of our personal space and further invade our privacy.

In addition, the morning sun that we are blessed with in our garden may very well be blocked and this would be most disappointing.

To extend the height of this building with the proposed third storey at the rear is certainly not in keeping with the beautiful architecture of our lovely Victorian homes and is hugely disproportionate to the original design and purpose of the dwellings.

It will also, I fear, set a precedent for further developments. I am aware that number 2 have had similar works and having seen the "before and after" result from the neighbouring garden at number 1, I was very surprised indeed that this extensive addition had been approved.

I understand that you are also dealing with our application for a cellar development and are due to visit us in the near future for an inspection. I welcome your visit and look forward to meeting you, not only for the purposes of our own developments but I can then demonstrate in person my concerns with this

development and you can see for yourself first hand.

We have lived happily in Aldred Road for 20 years and have seen many changes to the houses in our street, we do understand the importance of upgrading and modernising properties, however, this particular extension is a step too far and has been designed and, it seems, and submitted withoutany thought or consideration for the existing neighbours.

I do hope you will take our comments and very strong objection to this part of the development most seriously.

With kind regards and best wishes.



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