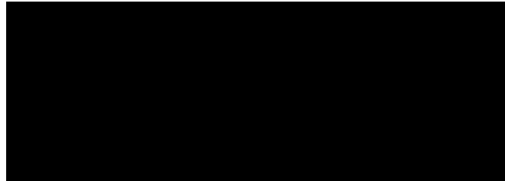


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Dear,

After speaking with Olivier Nelson, can you please put below text onto the website for above mentioned application. I was made to understand the consultation process was finished, yet I found out on Thursday that my neighbour and her architect had been able to put up comments after this process. Could you please include mine below.

Dear Kate,

I just noted that the applicant's response was put on the website today (Thursday 23rd of July).

I would like to reiterate and confirm that the rooms onto which windows A and C give are without question habitable rooms. The first floor study onto which window A gives, has been used full time by my daughter for the last 4 years. This room is incredibly quiet (away from the street), perfect for study purposes, and she much loves the coziness of it. My daughter spends at least 2 to 3 hours every day in this study, and much more during the weekend. It is very sad to think she will lose the large amount of natural daylight that comes into this room, as can be seen from the picture supplied on page 2 of our objection letter. This is a proper habitable room and not a corridor as the architect wrongly 'guesses' in his email to you.

Window B is currently used for leisure but we are planning to convert it back into a bedroom, which it was about 4 years ago. As my dad died in December, my mum will come and stay with us much more often, and we intend to convert this room on the first floor back into a bedroom.

Window C gives onto our much beloved play/music room, which my daughter has been using for over 12 years. How can this room be non-habitable? She practises and plays on her piano many times a week, and in the weekends this open plan play room is used for many hours with friends and family. The natural day light coming through this large window (even through stained glass) is simply immense, as can be seen from the pictures on page 3 of our objection letter. The proposed extension will obscure three quarters of the window (as shown on page 6), as the sloping roof - at the transom - is just 1 meter away. The light coming into the room will be significantly reduced and is going to darken this room beyond acceptable level. The view from the window, which is open constantly as the weather permits, will be gone.

The proposed extension is like putting a 2.5 m wall at 1.0 meter from somebody's house, obscuring in the process 3/4 of a very large window that gives onto a playroom, enclosing the window of an existent study (and a planned bedroom) to such extent no natural light will be able to come in. The proposed will increase the sense of enclosure to an unacceptable level and reduce the ventilation. The aerial view on page 7 of our objection letter demonstrates this very clearly, showing the proposed extension to basically but-up against our house.

Allow me to note that my neighbour's email to you is totally presumptuous, and that it would indeed be very hard for her to suggest the uses of the rooms affected given that a) my neighbour has no view on our Window A or B as the two first floor windows of her property that give onto the lightwell have obscured glass, and to my knowledge are hardly opened, and b) my neighbour has no view at all on our Window C which sits 1 level above the flat roof of her house and c) my neighbour has not been inside our house for 7 or more years.

I hope the above clarifies once and for all the habitability of the rooms affected. Please do let me know if you have any questions or would like any further clarification.

Kind regards,

