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| 2016/4976/P | Galina AP | 3 Mansion gardens | 29/09/2016 10:31:37 | OBJEMPER | Dear Mr Diver, |

my name is Galina Portiano and I live in Mansion Gardens, just across from No.11. I recently learnt about three (!) new applications that Mr. Bloomfield submitted for your consideration (Ref. 2016/4978/P; 2016/4977/P & 2016/4976/P). The triple application swiftly followed after the withdrawal of his original application, submitted a few months ago (Ref. No. 2016/2614/P) and which was objected to by several neighbors, including myself, as well as Hampstead Society. When Mr. Bloomfield submitted his previous application, it came as a complete surprise, as we were under the impression that he was simply planning to do some landscaping work in his garden and certainly not the works listed in the application referenced above, particularly not the erection of a single-storey conservatory. Mr. Bloomfield has actually already completed most of the work cited in Application 2016/4976/P, which made his house look quite different from the rest of the houses in Mansion Gardens, exteriors of which have to conform to original look of the development. To the best of my knowledge here are covenants 'guiding exterior house appearances' in Mansion Gardens and Mr. Bloomfield blatantly disregarded them, particularly when he did stone masonry and installed an outside Jacuzzi. If we all decide to implement the changes of a similar kind to our homes, god knows in what city we all end up living in. As with his previous application, Mr. Bloomfield has already started on many of the works, clearly thinking that he can do whatever he wants, when he wants and without official permission. Or he choses to ask for permission after doing all the jobs, presuming that he will get approval at a later date and that no action would be forthcoming for his blatant disregard for planning application procedures. Mr. Bloomfield was told to stop the jobs during his previous application process, until a decision was reached, but sadly the work outside his house didn't stop then, nor now, irrespective of the Camden Council comments or instructions. Mr. Bloomfield clearly thinks he is a law in himself, to the detriment of MG neighborhood.

What started with a simple job of boiler replacement at Mr Bloomfields's house, has now become an endless building process, that will soon enter its fourth (!) consecutive year. While I respect other people's wishes/desires to make changes to their homes, I hope you will agree with me that neighbors of those people also have rights. I think ours have been sadly and constantly infringed by the noise, dirt and the terrible appearance, affecting our family quality of life (we have young children), as well as my concentration, as I work from home. At this stage Mr Bloomfield chooses to have all the communication with the neighbours via his workers, which leads to hearsay, breaking down the communication between people living in MG even further and pushing current state of affaires to the boiling point.

I have an e-mail from Mr Bloomfield (which I am happy to submit for the record, if need be), in which he promises to finish the work at his house by the end of this year and that e-mail dates a few months ago. For the first two years of work on his house Mr Bloomfield has continued to live in it, but he has now moved out, so while his life isn't interrupted, our daily life is affected by the above mentioned factors and sadly, only increasingly so.

Some works are done and undone, making no sense to outsiders, but increasingly disrupting our lives. I am happy to submit images of the temporary fence being built a couple of weeks ago, then two sheds

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erected behind it, only for the temporary fence to be replaced by ugly boarding again a week later, the process assisted in part, by the security guard on site....

In the course of the summer Mr. Bloomfield not only added multiple new cameras to his house, in which he currently doesn't live, making it look like Fort Knox. He also installed the camera outside the entrance to Mansion Gardens, without discussing it with his neighbors and employed security, which further disrupted our lives, as I never agreed to live in a 'Big Brother' House. When I e-mailed Mr Bloomfield to query the camera installation, as I was given confusing information from his workman that he recently had a break-in into his house, I didn't get a clear answer. However, I was told by his workman that security was for our benefit as well - based on my prior experience with Mr. Bloomfield, I fail to see the benefits, rather the opposite. It was only when I firmly asked Mr Bloomfield to remove the camera at the entrance in person, it was done, but his security continues to hover and scrutinize our comings and goings, while Mr Bloomfield enjoys tranquility of life elsewhere.

By bringing all this to your attention, I want to paint a picture of the hellish life that we are subjected to due to the endless whims of our neighbor, who has complete disregard for the people who live around him and have exactly the same rights that he does, as a human being. It is hard not to become increasingly upset by the ongoing works, changing plans and appearance of his house, multiple tradesmen coming and going, in a way jeopardizing our own security, as well as Mr Bloomfield's desire to endlessly improve his home.

Mr Bloomfield had a lovely garden, which now looks terrible and as he is planning to erect a conservatory, as well as the car parking, it will change the appearance of Mansion Gardens for the worse, cutting out the green space and creating a fairly unappealing site, which we will see from our windows and front door. By erecting a fence god knows what other projects he will undertake that can have negative impact on our neighbourhood, including environmental damage & soil erosion. Who is to say he won't cut down the trees in his garden, some of which, I feel, were intentionally damaged, in order to make way for his building plans?

I hope you will examine his application in detail and decline it, as it will only further negatively impact the overall atmosphere at Mansion Gardens and significantly affect its appearance, as well as have a negative impact on the quality of air. We live in a community that used to be cordial and peaceful, as well as gorgeously green, which is becoming increasingly hostile, noisy and environmentally unfriendly for the residents. Almost four years is a very long time and unfortunately during this time the exterior of the house hasn't improved for the better, but rather continues to look like a desolate building site. None of us have conservatories here, so building one would further change the overall look of the houses in Mansion Gardens. Mr. Bloomfield has now built two sheds, further distorting the overall look, so much so that many of us look visibly upset when entering Mansion Gardens.

Please don't hesitate to contact me via e-mail, if you need any further information, including 'before' and 'after' images, as Mr Bloomfield has already started on some of the work mentioned in the above applications, without receiving the required approval from the Camden Council yet again. We all pay our council tax and I hope on this occasion you will be guided not just by the wishes of one man, but would also consider the needs of the whole community of people who live in Mansion Gardens and

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| | | | | | <p>whose lives are increasingly being interrupted by Mr Bloomfield's endless works. It greatly saddens me that after dealing with his initial application I now have to comment on three more, which takes additional time & is quite emotionally draining. I personally have been very tolerant, but sadly I have reached the point when it is becoming too much, damaging the wellbeing and potentially endangering the safety of my family. However I am grateful for the opportunity to express my views and feelings on the subject.</p> <p>Kind regards, Mrs Galina Portianoï</p> |
