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Subject: Lakeview, Vale of Health - Application no: 2016/5613/P

Dear Kristina Smith,

Application No.:2016/5613/P

I have lived in Lakeview for over fifty years and have had no peace since hearing about the plans for Hillview. I am giving my strongest objections to plans submitted in the application.

The noise and disruption and loss of privacy will be devastating and at 84 it would be stressful and difficult to live in my house. Alternatively to move out would after all this time with my possessions even for a year would be very difficult and disorienting. In addition the Vale of Health is a cul-de-sac and skips, lorries, cement mixers and cranes will be an almost permanent fixture creating noise, mess and loss of parking spaces and pavement space.

The houses are old and whatever plans are in place there is a danger that my house could collapse or be damaged during the building, with me in it. My ceilings and walls have stood for 136 years and the work next door could easily cause any one of my ceilings with their original cornices to collapse. I would not be able to deal with organising building work in my property.

I note that the plans include a rear glass extension, not in character with the rest of the houses. The terrace will be directly next to my living room and beneath my bedroom, this would take away my privacy and peace. I strongly object to any terrace at the rear of Hillview. Our gardens are not wide enough to take such a large lump of an extension right up to our boundaries. The natural country view of the Heath and Pond will be diminished, in fact their proposal diminishes everything about our homes and gardens which have existed for 136 odd years.

Lakeview has been flooded four times over the years and we know there are many streams that run under the Vale of Health, any major building works could disrupt these streams and cause damage and subsidence to adjoining properties. I would not want or allow new foundations to encroach onto my land. Boreholes were recently done at Hillview and when we asked the builders doing the work they said the borehole collapsed at a certain depth and that water could be seen flowing underneath one of the boreholes.

Regards,
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