



Hi David,

I am resident at 34 Burghley Road and I am writing to you in regards to Planning Permission ref 2016/4095/P.

Unfortunately I have experienced many issues with the works at 32 Burghley Road.

Issues are as follows...

The quality of the building works and wall adjoining 34 is awful and there are blobs of concrete interspersed into the wall, I am assuming to cover up mistakes in its construction. Bricks are different colors to the existing wall, it appears to be already bowing. There are bits of concrete/cement left messy on the top of previous wall. After the wall was constructed I witnessed a worker use a hammer to break off bits of the wall that stuck out. The cement was left after being broken off the wall in our garden where it still is today. There appears to be a gap in the the wall joining the roof so there is a bit of plastic sticking out. Masonry at the top of the wall appears to not be sitting straight as poses a potential safety hazard.

We have lost a huge amount of light in both windows at the rear of the property due to the poor construction of the wall and the fact that the wall connects to the existing balcony and existing wall restricting the amount of light coming through. Our rear bathroom window now has no natural light coming though.

I am also seriously concerned about its safety as already a crack has appeared in the existing boundary wall. We have a four year old living at the property and am seriously concerned about the structural integrity of the new wall considering it was constructed very quickly.

From the first day construction work started the builders piled rubbish/construction material into the front garden of 32. The rubbish attracted vermin and wasn't completely cleared until the end of construction. The workers when disposing of the rubbish and building materials had a skip turn up and covered my vehicle which was parked outside with mud and grit.

There is a vent that connects from 32 into my toilet that had not been covered prior to the works so woke up one day to find the toilet area covered in construction dust, of which I have photo evidence. I resorted to taping up the vent in order to limit the amount of construction dust in our home.

The construction works at 32 have also been completed on all days of the week including Sundays, early mornings and evenings.

The saddest part of the building works was a day I asked a construction worker to move his van as he was blocking us in (he was parked in the middle of the road). We were then subjected to racist verbal abuse and I was threatened with a hammer. The man was restrained by his colleagues and ushered back into his van. My wife witnessed this and also sadly our four year old daughter. I feel it necessary to mention this point as it further illustrates the way we have been regarded/treated by the workers and construction works at 32.

I have tried to be patient with the construction works at 32. The fact that they have bodged the construction of the back wall illustrates the point that the construction is only in order to make a quick buck by completing works to the property as quickly as possible with little care or attention. The poorly constructed wall is a physical reminder of our experiences with the construction that we have to look at every day. It is not at all sympathetic to the existing building and looks completely 'out of place'. It blocks light to our basement flat and has a huge impact on the daylight coming into our home.

I strongly object to any further building at 32 due to our past experiences with the previous works and poor workmanship.

You are welcome to contact me for any further information.

Regards

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