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Dear Matthew,

In advance, Im sorry for the length of this email but we have questions that I hope you'll be able to help with and some explanations as to why its last minute. Have you been in our flats here? If not, would you please consider a site visit? This could be arranged as early as tomorrow.

Also, it appears to us some work is taking place in advance of the planning application being granted. Please see attached photos.

Please take this as a holding email for responding to the above planning application made by Maple House until we can formulate a formal response and inform other residents of this application. I am aware that the deadline for this is tomorrow 19th April but our residents have been denied access to the democratic process because 1, they were unaware of this application despite it being 2021 not 2022 - Maple House/Lazari have email addresses of many residents here so could have notified us in and addition should have also put up notices or indeed delivered some to alert us. (Luckily I was informed about this application by BCAAC or I would have had no idea) 2. We are a block of Council flats and our Housing Officer Elijah Williams was too lazy to print out the plans for us so we could gather about and look at them. I emailed him multiple times to ask. 3. My computer is too old to load the documents, I had been holding off replying until I got the documents but now we are out of time due to no fault of our own. Any time i respond from BCAAC Ive looked at the documents on someone elses computer.

Our building has 56 flats facing the courtyard, many in multiple occupation. Many of our residents are vulnerable and/or have no access to computers which would stop them from being able to respond even if they had known about the consultation.

Please note the courtyard in question backs up to the windows of the 1st floor residents. These residents have their living rooms and bedrooms abutting this courtyard, they have no 'back rooms' to go to.

I wonder if you could tell me please when it says on the DAS proposed lighting scheme "all luminaires will be selected with appropriate beam angles and a warm colour temperature *to enhance the environment*" For whom do they mean? Have they done a lighting impact assessment from our flats?
Can you stipulate that no alcohol is served out there? Alcohol increases noise and all noise is magnified in this tiny space.

Do you know the timings of the usage of the courtyard, do you know the seating capacity?
How long an extension can we have to reply to this application?

Please do feel free to telephone me on [REDACTED]

Kind regards,

Jo Hurford, Secretary, Grafton Way TRA