AWDM/0904/18

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To: planning@adur-worthing.gov.uk

To whom it may concern,

In relation to the proposed development of Cliff Corner, Lancing AWDM/0904/18 I am writing to reiterate my objection. I have objected online but I have have delayed any further correspondence as to gather evidence of the inessential and harmful prospect of future development.
The property in question was developed and remodelled for two years from 2015-2017, the property was a single storey bungalow that over the course of this period was substantially altered to become the intrusive, modern two-storey house there today.
The current owners, Douglas and Fiona Caulfield, have lived at the property for a year and are applying for further development and augmentation of the property. The house is already a very modern and luxurious conversion which is why it is obscene and a sheer luxury to even consider further alterations and enlargements. As far as I am aware, it is these two current inhabitants who solely live there and as such this development will only go to further their desires, it will not provide much needed housing for other occupants. The property has stood in its current state for just a year, little time for any modernisation or enlargements to be required, I believe that a four bedroom house is large enough for a couple who live at the property part-time.
The prospective works are largely proposing extensions to the existing structures, such opulence as extending the balcony. These adjustments will not go to further the area or improve the overall ethos of the property.
I do have concerns about several of the extensions.
Firstly, the single storey rear extension and rear dormer extension I believe will cause a loss of privacy and overlook the western side of my house, which consists of two bedrooms and a bathroom. Following the completion of the 2015-2017 development the new second storey included rear windows that look directly into my bathroom shower, this as you can imagine is horrifying. I had previously been informed that such window would be entirely opaque and would not open, yet this is not the case. This window additionally overlooks the front right bedroom of my house, imposing on anyone situated within the room whether it be sleeping or performing general day-to-day activities. The back bedroom of my house is also now significantly overlooked and a single storey rear extension will solely demonstrate a continuance of this. Consequently, my family and guests feel uncomfortable in these bedrooms and usage of such rooms has declined. The disgraceful loss of privacy in the bathroom, particularly the shower, is also most uninviting.
The roof extension completed in 2017 largely removed and obscured the view of the sea from this side of my house, one of the sole reasons for my purchasing my property.
The proposed extension of the roof over a new front bay window will only deteriorate such view in addition to causing substantial loss of light to my house and garden.

The second concern I hold is in relation to the roof extension of the garage to convert into a home office. I am worried that this may impair vision of drivers turning from Old Salts Farm Road into the Brighton Road, or vice-versa.

Moreover, my family has endured tumultuous building works since the purchase of Cliff Corner in 2007 by a previous owner up until the completion of development last summer. My daughter is home educated and understandably struggles to concentrate on her studies with the overwhelming presence of building machinery, for instance angle grinders that were commonly used in the 2015-2017 augmentations.
The 2015-2017 development had no time restriction placed upon the hours of working, which often ran 7 days a week and into the late evenings in the inviting summer months.
Please see attached three separate recordings of the use of angle grinders during this period.
The six second recording taken of partially opened blinds was on the 2nd March 2017 at 9:11pm.
The second six second recording was taken on the same day but at the later time of 9:32pm.
The third recording lasting 9 seconds was taken in the summer of 2016 at 8:42pm.
I believe it is important that you listen to these audio videos to understand the full level of noise disturbance that accompanies such proposed developments and additionally that these are just short, second-long recordings of the head-splitting noise which my family endured for hours at a time, often 7 days per week.
I will contact you with further photographs and videos of past developments and how this current proposal is unlikely to be dissimilar it it's course of action.

Kind regards,

Mirium Woulfe