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Planning Services
Portland House
44 Richmond Road
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Ref: AWDM/1101/12

Dear Sirs,

I have tried twice to send my objection via the Public Access on your website and both times the message has been truncated. I then e-mailed it to your planning address but have decided that it is safer to post it! Please ignore the e-mail and truncated messages, my objection is attached.

Yours faithfully,

[redacted]

Mrs Gill Pitman

Dear Sirs,

Re:Application for a single story extension to 63 Old Fort Road Shoreham-by-Sea
Ref:AWDM/1101/12

I would like to register my objection to the above application for the following reasons.

When a new build is proposed surely the council consider over development of the site? This plot was originally a small bungalow which was demolished and replaced with two large four bedroomed square properties which are completely out of keeping with the immediate surrounding area. My home is overlooked by the property in question and now a further extension would put their rear windows even closer to us. The fact that they are proposing a frameless glazing design makes avoiding eye contact with them even less likely. Both households can already see straight into each other's properties and this proposal would bring 63 Old Fort Road a further 2.6 meters closer which, considering their ground level is higher than my property, will have their ground floor looming over my home. It would have been less of a problem if they had retained the trees and shrubbery as per the original planning permission to build but unfortunately they have ignored that and the council have deemed to do nothing about it despite my previous enquiry. The previous permission to build on the site stated "Overlooking and other amenity issues were fully considered at the time of the previous application and there are no significant changes that are likely to result in any harmful impact on neighbouring occupiers". I would ask you to try to fully understand the difference in ground level on the proposed extension in relation to my home bearing in mind that the location plans always show my house incorrectly.

The proposal is for a sun room. The rear of 63 Old Fort Road is north facing, it does not get any sun in the 2.6 meters that they wish to extend. This is a ground floor extension to their existing lounge/ dinner. Most of the properties in the immediate area have reasonably sized gardens – the properties do not extend excessively into the back gardens and the rear of the properties all seem to be level on an invisible build line. The proposal for 63 Old Fort Road will extend the property further back than any of its surrounding neighbours which again is not in keeping with the area.

I appreciate that the owner of the property is an architect and that he wants to try out and have new designs and materials on his property, but a Zinc roof? How is this in keeping with the surrounding area? As I had said on his previous application for the new build, this property would be perfect on the south side of Old Fort Road.

In summary, the proposed extension is not in keeping with the character of the surrounding area. The design and materials will not blend in. The build extent on the plot is excessive and the glazing and ground floor height causes a loss of privacy. The trees which would have given a level of privacy will obviously never be replaced.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs G B Pitman