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Dear Sir or Madam,

Planning Application WB/11/0153/FULL
for 2 storey sides and rear extension at 11, Offington Gardens, Worthing

I am writing this letter of objection to the above plans on behalf of my mother, Mrs Jean Humphrey, who is the owner occupier of 9 Offington Gardens. She has lived there for almost 60 years. Aged 96 and in frail health, she is not able to write a letter herself. However, she understands the implications for her daily life of her neighbour's extension plans. I hope you will accept this letter from me, so that Mrs Humphrey's voice can be properly heard when this application is carefully considered:

1. The additional width, height and depth of the planned extension will have an overbearing impact. In particular there will be a serious detrimental impact on the amount of natural light to the main living area at No. 9. There is a single side window in the west wall of the main living room, which will be obscured by the close two storey extension extending to a depth well beyond this window. At the moment the single small window is clear of the line of the building at No. 11, which is only 'ground floor' on that side of the house, so that the natural light floods in. In our opinion, the enhanced living space desired by the neighbour at No. 11 will certainly be gained at the expense of the existing living room at No. 9, if the application is granted.
2. There is a small conservatory at the back of No. 9 which will also be partially obscured, as the planned extension reaches almost the depth of the conservatory.
3. Furthermore, the extended building will bring the East wall of No. 11 even closer to the West wall of No. 9 than it is at the moment, to within approximately 2 metres.
4. There will be loss of privacy to the rear garden of No. 9 due to the extension and closer proximity of the planned second storey.

We hope that you will keep us informed about the progress of this planning application, as it clearly has serious implications for Mrs Humphrey's living environment and therefore quality of life. Thank you.

Yours faithfully, [redacted]

Mrs Charlotte Gravestock (daughter) on behalf of Mrs Jean Humphrey