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To: developmentcontrol
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Dear Mr Peter Barnett,

You may have noticed that there were very few if any new objections to the re-application of the GYSO Roller rink. This is because the new site owners told us that in order for them to get on with building we are best not objecting to the roller rink application. In other words- what is the point in objecting if we are threatened with getting more of what we object to!? On top of this he mentioned that the planning permission would go on until September.
This has put us in a difficult position of knowing that the objections will be fruitless and that the only way to rid ourselves of the roller disco nuisance is to do nothing! What kind of democracy and fair play is that?!!!
On top of this a number of situations have arisen which have made many houseboat owners fearful about complaining again. One member of the houseboat community was attacked when she took a photo of Mr Papworth who is Ms Frys partner (this was reported to the police- she didn't want to take it further because she was too affraid). And her memory stick went missing whilst in his possession after he grabbed her camera from her. Mr Webster was intimidated when he had his car clamped and they realised he was a friend of a houseboat owners (this has also been reported to the police). On another occasion when I was recording the loud noise one evening a worker told me that I should "cut my ropes and sale the boat out to see for peace all round" (this is on the recording and has been reported to the police in case of future incident).
The local businesses are worried about repercussions concerning the roller rink. for example when I had my car fixed at Montgomery motors he said he knew i was house boat owner and told me he had "put my vehicle round the back out of site". The V marine owner gives his customers permits but is too fearful to give house boat onwers one - also his customers. So basically- we are at intimidating situation and most people dare not complain due to the actions of the Roller Rink and fear of the residential building starting later if we dare to complain. It is only a few who stand up to such gangster-like treatment but I for one will not be intimidated.

So far this rink has disturbed our lives beyond whatever anyone else would have to put up with. Indeed, the other day the bass was of a rhythm such that it emulated the thudding one gets with a migraine and it actually gave me a headache. They have succeeded in splitting the local community because the businesses are frightened to upset them and have joined in the attack of anyone who objects to the rink in fear of losing valuable parking spaces. The houseboat owners are fearful of reprisal since they were banned from parking where they have always parked for objecting to the noise in the first place. Indeed, when I went away for a week signs for clamping were put up and my vehicle was immobilised for 11 days! I have had to start litigation procedures against the parking company "Ethical Parking Management". To make matters worse they are targeting friends of houseboat owners whilst they allow everyone else free parking (my friend was about to have his clamp removed until he revealed he was visiting my boat! All others who had clamps on their vehicles at the same time had them removed. I paid his £150 fine for him). It seems like a clear case of free parking for everyone who doesn't complain and punishment/repercussions for those who even have associations with houseboat owners.

As far as I am concerned all the objections put forward previously are still valid and I will continue to fight to get them off and return to the peaceful life which we had before. I am now considering whether or not the site and it's application is legal or able to sustain a review under the Human Rights Act 1998. I will also be looking in to discrimination laws to see if we have been considered with equality. Since Rod Hotton, in front of witnesses, agreed that the planning wouldn't have been granted for a disco, if expensive brick houses were in close proximity such as our boats, then, from our perspective our fears are clearly confirmed.

There are also many provisions that the council has said regarding the planning. For example there was

an agreement that they put up a sign to ask people to leave quietly - yet I see no evidence of this- when was this checked? there were suppose to be sound checks but, they did that themselves at 4 O'clock in the afternoon! A witness said he couldn't hear the music at all! When did the council do it's own check? unannounced visits were supposed to be done to check the noise levels- when were they carried out? If any council members visited the rink, did they also visit the houseboat community so we could say whether or not the noise was what they had experienced? When, if any have such visits/inspections taken place? We were promised a meeting would be arranged to discuss the situation with rink owners- why did this not happen? We have many questions and have every right to receive some answers. Please answer all the questions in this paragraph as soon as possible to enable my investigations. Under case law - Jesper V Belgium, "....obligation to disclose any material in their possession, or to which they could gain access, which may assist...." , the council have an obligation to provide me with information regarding this matter and trust that all the questions in this email asking for information regarding the councils actions will be provided forthwith.

As far as am concerned the democratic procedure of citizens objecting to the extension of this disco is null and void due to harassment and intimidation methods used by the owners and leaseholders which have simply frightened people to steering clear of objecting any further. Their methods have had there due effect - is the council going to be strong and ethical enough to cancel their extension in protection of law abiding and tax paying residents or are they going to collude in with this way of doing business?

I look forward to your reply.

I apologise if any of this seems a little direct and vexed but, as you can image, we have had our peaceful lives affected dramatically and been treated very spitefully for complaining. My only options for fighting this intrusion and vindictive treatment is to do so via the proper channels (even though there may be more reprisals- the need for justice/remedy sometimes overrides any other factors)

Some days we can hardly hear the disco- if it was like that all the time there would be no problem but on the weekends it becomes unbearable. As no one has come when we called at those critical moments - how can we trust there will be any assistance with the noise control anyway? As, in our experience, there hasn't been thus far.

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