Ref: AWDM/1652/21

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To: planning@adur-worthing.gov.uk
Cc:

Hi Hannah Barker,

I am emailing in response to the planning application for The Amsterdam Pub, Upper Shoreham Road, Ref; AWDM/1652/21

My husband and I live next door to the pub, at 200 Old Shoreham Road, Bn43 5TE, and this proposed re-build of the wall runs alongside our property. We have lived here for 5 1/2 years, and were here before Stonegate took the pub on. Part of the original wall, belonging to them, collapsed in our garden in August 2020 and we are still waiting for them to address the issue. The existing wall is unsafe, and as a consequence, we are unable to use our side entrance (which is currently being held up by scaffold provided by us, at our own expense) our gardens also lays in ruins whilst we await the repairs.

We have only met with their representatives today, hence our delayed response to commenting on the proposal, as we were waiting to see what they propose. I therefore trust that I am just meeting your deadline of 21 days from the date of your letter.

Dealing with Stonegate has been an uphill battle from the beginning. They were originally proposing to replace this wall with a fence, and were pressuring us into allowing them quick access to pass this through. It was only when we pointed out, via a solicitor, that this is a Grade1 listed building and walls cannot be replaced with fences.

Testament to our struggles in communication with them, they have submitted planning request to you, without consulting us first, or showing us the plans that they have submitted to you.

We have today learnt that whilst they intend to build a wall, they are proposing a height which leaves us not only lacking in privacy from their property, but also a height which compromises our security. Their property has been broken into 3 times this year alone, with our CCTV cameras picking up intruders entering the storage area which backs on to our garden. Stonegate have done nothing about this, and on this basis alone, we object to the plans they have submitted, on the basis that the wall needs to be high enough to guarantee our security.

There is also a tree in existence, alongside this wall, which boarders our garden. They want to remove this tree. They are not intending to replace the tree. This again, will impact us hugely, completely removing the privacy of our garden and property from their upstairs accommodation they use for staff.

Please confirm receipt of this email and that our concerns will be considered. We hope that as residents of Shoreham, and Council Tax payers, you, as the council, will help support us against the big corporate company, who are trying to rail-road a quick fix, with minimal care or effort, with no consideration to us as their neighbours.

Victoria Goss and Adam Rabson,

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