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Everyndens
109 High Street
Lindfield
RH16 2HR
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Dear Sirs

My family have lived at Everyndens 109 High Street for just under 40 years .

When we first moved in there was an Indian restaurant called Aramintas at 107 and
six years later the restaurant was sold to [REDACTED]

Over the next 30 years the condition of this Listed building was allowed to become an unsightly disgrace ,
the garden in particular was a dumping ground for old decrepit Caravans, undriveable cars , high weeds
and abandoned building material .

The front of the building became a village talking point with questions asked of us as to “Whether officials
could demand an improvement as the building is a Listed one ?”

There was an attempt to paint the outside front windows but this was abandoned and blue tape remained
around each individual pane of glass for some years. The paint eventually peeled off . [REDACTED] sold to
the present owners [REDACTED] approx. three years ago.

Now the transformation is an absolute delight , the external and internal designs are stunning with the
original features sensitively still in place . The modern addition compliments inwardly and outwardly the
older part of the house.

The garden has been beautifully designed and constructed ,finishing with a very tasteful outer laurel- lined
drive leading to the most appealing and substantial contemporary gates which compliment the rest of the
garden .

I am delighted with the modernisation of this now good looking listed property and have absolutely no
negative points to make.

As a final thought,- From my personal perspective, it appears a strange dichotomy, that MSDC planners would seemingly prefer to focus on the minute scrutiny of an excellent overall restoration ,-that not only enhances Lindfield High Street, but brings an ill-maintained building back to an exemplary standard,- than early intervention, in a productive and helpful way to prevent our Listed and similar buildings slide into obvious decline and disregard.

Yours faithfully

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