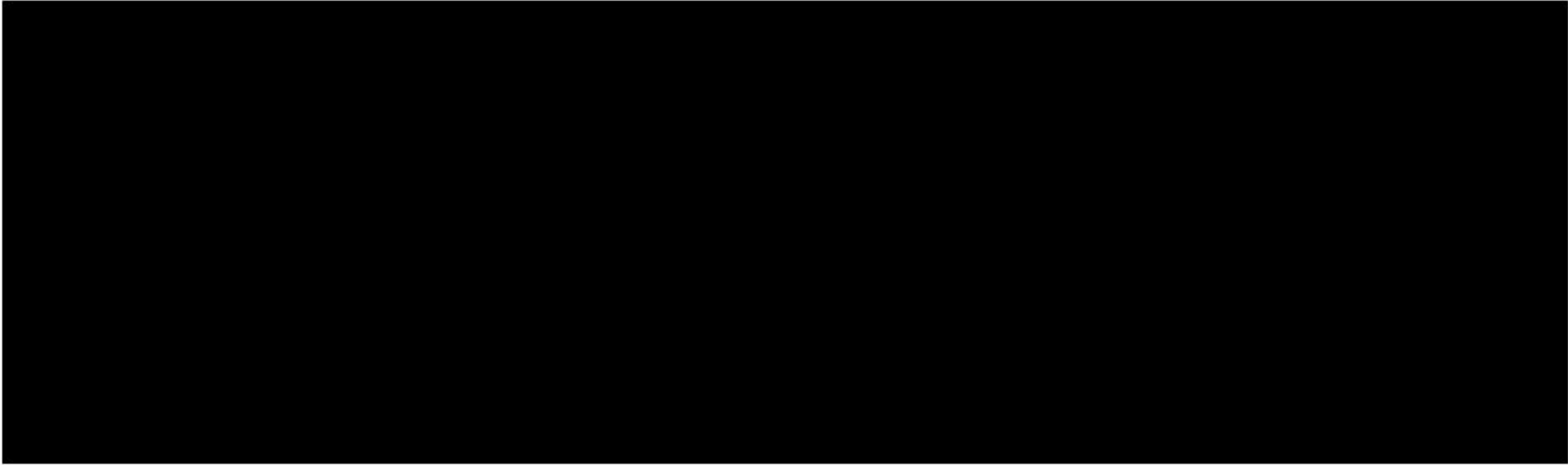




Stefan Galyas
Mid Sussex Planning Officer
Mid Sussex District Council

Dear Stefan Galyas:

I am writing to object to the planning application DM/25/2139 for which I have recently been notified. A proposed second floor extension to 43, West Common, Lindfield directly overlooks my kitchen, dining room, bedrooms and patio and constitutes an overbearing and unacceptable loss of privacy and adversely impacts our outlook. The second-floor development shows large, floor to ceiling windows or doors, which directly look down into my entire garden and affording views into all the windows on the rear of my property from a relatively short distance. At second floor level the proposed development is unusual in the local area.

Additionally, 43, West Common is one of a small number of houses to be designed by renowned local architect 'Turner'; West Common has a number of these distinctive and historically significant houses, forming a line of residential houses with distinctive 'Turner' features which forms a recognisable townscape. Turner features include a tall brick-built chimney, and a simple and classic clay hung double hipped roof and leaded diamond windows. The development proposes to demolish the chimney entirely and replace the simple and classic clay hung tile roof with a totally out of character square modern dormer extension, obscuring the simple lines of the existing double hipped roof design. The floor to ceiling height double doors and Juliet Balcony will be totally out of character with the diminutive diamond leaded windows seen in other Turner homes. Therefore, this development will have a significant impact of the character of the local area.

The development is at a second story height with a 'Juliet balcony' which will facilitate views over all the surrounding properties. There is no internal room at the rear of my house and no area of my patio or garden which is not overlooked and overshadowed by this proposed imposing development.

I have enclosed some photos from locations inside and outside my house to show you the impact this would have on my outlook and the severe and overbearing impact on our privacy contrary to the Mid Sussex District Planning Policy.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Newman-Smith



Fig 1 - This picture shows the view from our bedroom indicating the proposed second floor extension position in red. This view also shows the brick chimney which will be demolished impacting the overall look of West Common.



Fig 2 – Shows the proposed extension viewed from our second bedroom. This extension will include three large full height doors with views into our bedrooms.



Fig 3 – Shows view from our dining room



Fig 4 – Showing view from our kitchen



Fig 5 – Showing view from our patio



Fig 6 Showing the circled proposed development location in relation to the site lines on West Common and the line of Turner designed houses.