

Peter Davies

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To: Peter Davies
Subject: Objection to Planning Application DM/25/1546 – 13 Beaconsfield Close

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Dear Peter,

I am writing to formally object to planning application DM/25/1546, which proposes the addition of new windows, doors, and other alterations to the existing warehouse at 13 Beaconsfield Close. As a resident of 14 Beaconsfield Close, I have serious concerns about the impact of these changes on my property and the wider neighbourhood.

Grounds for Objection

1. Loss of Privacy

The proposed side elevation windows will directly overlook my garden and the rear-facing windows and doors of my home, significantly reducing my privacy. These changes would allow a clear line of sight into my living areas and outdoor space, which are currently used for relaxation and family activities.

2. Noise and Disturbance

The addition of new doors and windows may lead to increased noise from foot traffic, deliveries, and internal operations. This would negatively affect the peaceful enjoyment of my home, given the warehouse's close proximity.

3. Visual Impact and Character Change

The proposed alterations would change the character of the warehouse, making it appear more residential in nature and inconsistent with the current industrial and commercial appearance of the area.

4. Overlooking and Overbearing Presence

The height and placement of the new windows could create an overbearing presence, making the structure feel intrusive and dominant when viewed from my property.

5. Lack of Justification for Scale of Changes

As the building is designated for industrial use, the rationale for adding numerous windows and doors is unclear. The scale of the proposed changes appears excessive and unnecessary for its intended function.

6. Impact on Local Wildlife

My garden and the surrounding area support a variety of wildlife, including hedgehogs and bats. The oak tree bordering the property is a known habitat for bats, which are a protected species under UK law. Increased light, noise, and human activity resulting from the proposed development could disturb these animals and degrade their habitat.

7. Additional Parking Spaces and Subdivision Concerns

The proposed plan includes additional parking spaces and internal/external subdivision lines that suggest a future change in use. While previous planning permission was granted for two residential

units, the layout now appears to accommodate **three separate units**, which would represent a material change and intensification of use. This raises concerns about increased traffic, strain on local infrastructure, and further erosion of the area's character.

Request for Site Visit

Given the potential impact on neighbouring properties and local wildlife, I respectfully request that a site visit be conducted to fully assess the implications of the proposed development.

Conclusion

I urge the planning department to carefully consider these objections and the potential negative effects on residential amenity, local character, and biodiversity. I trust that my concerns will be taken into account during the decision-making process.

Yours faithfully,


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