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Hi Katherine

Ref: Planning application. DM/25/2100 5 Orchard, Lane, Hassocks, West Sussex, BN6 8QR

I tried this morning to leave my objection to this planning application on the online portal, but it kept saying the server is down. Hence, I am sending this email to you direct.

We live at 7 The Close, which is only separated by this dwelling by a footpath. We have lived here for over ten years.

We object to the proposed planning application due to the character of the proposed building. It lies in an area of three bungalows. We feel that converting this to a house would significantly change the character of the area, which appears be against Mid Sussex Plan Policy DP26 , to ensure that planning applications comply with the character and design of the area. The conversion of a bungalow to a house deigns would have a significant overbearing impact on the adjacent properties.

We are also concerned about the natural light impact converting a bungalow to house would have on the remaining bungalows to the north.

We could not see any bat survey has been carried out. Bats are protected species and considered material consideration for any planning application, and therefore a bat survey should be carried out of the existing bungalow to ensure that there is no bat roost present. This bat survey (preliminary roost assessment – PRA) should be carried out and submitted with the any planning application. The property is adjacent to the park with the stream and tall trees, which are great habitats for bats. I know that we get bats flying across our garden as I have regularly recorded them on my bat detector.

Kind regards

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