

22nd July 2021

Harp Project – RVBC Planning application 03/2021/0660 & 03/2021/0661

Property affected - [REDACTED]

Dear Sirs

With reference to the above planning Application, I would like to address some serious concerns that I have specifically regarding the implications for the above property and the area immediately outside, West Bradford Road and The Square.

My concerns relate specifically to Safety, Light, Noise, Pollution and Mental Health

1. The increase in vehicular activity recently due to residential development work on Clitheroe Road has had a significant and detrimental effect on access to and from my property. This will only get worse if the proposed planning is allowed and as the number and size of vehicles passing by my property increases.

These articulated wagons are passing within 1 metre of my front door and at speed which has made access to and specifically exiting the property a dangerous situation. I no longer feel safe coming out of the front door and I also have elderly parents that visit and younger members of the family. In my opinion unless something is done about this a serious and potentially fatal accident could occur.

The parking area to the front of the property on The Square is also around a blind corner from which these vehicles approach the junction at the Higher Buck, again serious health & safety issues.

There is no pedestrian footway on either side of West Bradford Road until it reaches the properties past the Alms Houses, this also puts pedestrians in danger.

I believe that the existing and certainly proposed increase in the number and size of these vehicles is creating a potentially dangerous situation which will seriously affect my property and the health and safety of anyone entering/exiting and indeed walking along the road and the bridge.

2. The increase in noise outside the property has significantly increased recently and will only get worse as the number and size of vehicles increases.

The general state of the road is currently inadequate and will further deteriorate, potholes immediately outside the property have been repaired at least 2/3 times in the last 12 months and have again resurfaced which creates even more noise as the vehicles crash into the holes.

[REDACTED] and I believe that my quality of life will significantly suffer as a result of this increase in noise pollution from heavy goods vehicles even assuming the road can be adequately maintained.

3. Waddington is a "rural village" and this development will impact on the mental health of both myself and the other residents over a period of several years.
The most detrimental impact on mental health related to traffic is the increase in CO2, NO2 and other contaminants and this is a seriously significant to me as vehicles are passing my front window (openable) within 300mm of my gable elevation and front door/bedroom windows.
4. Additional issues that are and will continue to affect my property :
 - a) Daylight entering the property is severely diminished by a constant stream of heavy goods vehicles passing or queuing [REDACTED]
 - b) I constantly must clean the [REDACTED] due to the spray and dirt being thrown off the passing heavy good vehicles.
 - c) I am also reluctant to open the windows of the house during periods of heavy vehicular movement because of the dust and dirt pollution that is generated.

In summary I believe that if this planning application, specifically relating to the aforementioned issues, is allowed to proceed without restrictions then serious risks to health and safety and public welfare exist and will increase as the size and scope of these vehicles increase.

Would you please confirm receipt of this letter.

Yours Faithfully

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