

Written Justification

The purpose of these applications is to maintain this building in good condition and in a viable form in the present economic climate. It has suffered greatly in the last ten years from the Whalley flood, Covid, disruption due to footpath improvements and roadworks and the general economic climate.

The outgoing tenant of the property has not reported a number of issues with the building and many essential repairs are now being made largely at my expense from my savings. I am faced with trying to maintain the expenses of the building and my own home on a vastly reduced income. The dentists are working in restricted space and need to expand their workspace so that they can widen their practice. If they don't get more space they will have to move their practice to a new location. 33A is a very central and convenient location for their patients.

These plans are purely restoring previous access between the two properties and will provide very good use of a neglected section of this building. They concern one floor of the property and I consider that the detailed information I am being asked to provide is totally irrelevant to my request.

Finally no external features of the building will be affected. The layout of the second floor will be enhanced and the new fire escape route will provide a much safer exit route for staff and patients. The division of the building equally between two tenants will spread their expenses in a more viable and appropriate way and thus benefit the future maintenance of the building.