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Our Ref: 20/01070/FUL
6th January 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

LOCATION: 9 Towpath Mead Meryl Road Southsea PO4 8LA

PROPOSAL: Conversion of existing dwelling to 2 x 3 bed dwellings with single storey side extension **(20/01070/FUL)**

The above planning application has been received by the City Council, you are advised to familiarize yourself with the plans to ensure that you understand what is being proposed.

Due to the current restrictions our ability to conduct site visits is limited. Should you wish to draw the Case Officer's attention to any particular view, or feature, or part of the local character, beyond what you may submit in writing, please send in photos, or perhaps a 'virtual' site visit/video. This will enable the Case Officer to better assess the proposals and any comments you may have.

You can look at a copy of the application and plans by following this link www.portsmouth.gov.uk and searching for view or comment on a planning application. You can also make comment via this link and track the progress of the applications. *Unfortunately, due to the current COVID19 pandemic The Council has decided to close its offices to keep staff and members of the public safe. Therefore, if you do not have access to the internet and wish to view paper copies please contact the case officer listed below so that they can arrange for the appropriate documents to be sent to you.*

Only a small number of applications are determined by the Planning Committee. If this application is to be determined by the Committee, you will not be notified unless you have objected and requested to speak at the Committee. You can do that online, by post, or by telephoning us on 023 9283 4339. You can track the progress of this application by using the link above or contacting the Planning and Economic Growth Team.

Guidance notes on how to make comments/speak at committee are available online using the above link, if you are unable to access this website please contact the above telephone number to obtain a paper copy of the guidance notes

Your views must be received by **23 February 2021** *The Council's Development Management service has made revisions to its own consultation and engagement process by changing the formal statutory consultation period for inviting comments on planning applications, from the statutory minimum 21 days (3 weeks) to 42 days (6 weeks). It is recognised that, at this time, there are concerns that individual householders may be less likely to be aware of planning applications in their neighbourhood due to their inability (particularly if they are self-isolating or shielding) to leave their property and view site notices. Furthermore case officers (including specialist consultees) may need to undertake case by case risk assessment prior to undertaking any site visit to ensure the protection of their wellbeing and others. These revised processes will be reviewed as lockdown restrictions become relaxed or removed.*

Your response will not be acknowledged but will be displayed on the website. The Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 allows all comments to be seen by the public, including the applicant(s). As your letter will be displayed on the website, you may wish to print rather than sign your name and not include telephone numbers, however, before publishing we will take all reasonable steps to remove personal telephone numbers, email addresses & signatures.

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The case officer who will be dealing with this application is **Cris Lancaster** and can be contacted on 0121 234 1300.

Yours faithfully

Cris Lancaster
Planning Case Officer

