



The site is screened by tall mature trees protected by Tree Preservation Orders on the west, north & south boundary which overshadow the application site. This proposal is to make improvements to the existing dwelling to maximise natural light entering the dwelling so that the occupants can benefit from energy efficiency by reducing the need for artificial lighting. In addition, improve living conditions and the general wellbeing benefits that natural light provides.

Below is a statement prepared by the applicant to support this application:

*'We would like to install electricity generating solar panels on our flat roof area so that they can find all the available sunlight by being optimally angled to the sun and remain above the considerable shading caused by the fast growing trees around our house.*

*There is no access to the flat roof at the moment. Maintaining the panels is important and will require access to the roof from within the house. Maintenance will include cleaning the panels to ensure efficiency, leaf removal during winter, fixing damage by wildlife such as squirrels (squirrels routinely cause damage to our roof and gutters), manufacturer required maintenance over the lifespan of the panels (25 years) and rectifying any faults as required. The house is three stories high and the flat roof is surrounded by sloped tiled areas - it therefore cannot be accessed from the ground safely with a ladder, hence the requirement to fit internal roof access.*

*To manage the safety of roof access we need to install a railing around the flat area to ensure that no-one falls off the house.'*

We trust that you would consider granting this application planning permission.

Should you have any queries or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely



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On behalf of GFW Design & Architecture Ltd

cc Mr & Mrs Tattan-Robb