

Comments for Planning Application 23/01621/CLEUD

Application Summary

Application Number: 23/01621/CLEUD

Address: Blenheim Cottage The Square Freshwater Isle Of Wight PO40 9QH

Proposal: Lawful Development Certificate for continued use of property as a permanent residential dwelling

Case Officer: Alexandra Lewis

Customer Details

Name: Mr Robert McLaren

Address: Hobby Horse Cottage, The Square, Freshwater, Isle Of Wight PO40 9QH

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I write in response to a further comment from "Island Resident"

As the "Island Resident" rightly states, the applicant - Peter Waine - needs to provide information to prove 10 years continuous use of Blenheim Cottage, as permanent accommodation.

Proof has been given to the Isle of Wight Council that people resided at Blenheim Cottage between July 2013 and July 2023, and that Blenheim Cottage was their permanent residential home. This information is sensitive in nature, and as a result, I do not think that all information has been posted to the application. I am told that the information provided is detailed and conclusive and has been given to the IOW Council.

The Island Resident keeps referring to 2011. Whatever happened in 2011 is irrelevant to this application, as this was prior to the ten years proof required.

In respect of the Island Residents further comments:

1) Freshwater Parish Council did not object, but were neutral in their decision, due to not having sufficient evidence.

The parish council meeting to discuss this application, was held prior to Becca Cameron - the former owner of Blenheim Cottage - providing written evidence detailing specific dates and people who resided at Blenheim Cottage between July 2013 and July 2015.

Judith Waine resided at Blenheim Cottage between July, 2015 and July 2023.

2) Many people locally support Judith Waine in her application. As the "Island Resident" has asked for his/her name to be redacted, we don't know who they are, or where they reside, or their intention.

It should be noted that there is just the 1 objection to this application and as the person objecting has requested anonymity, there is no specific reason detailed for their objection.

The Island Resident could quite easily live in North London for all we know - it would be interesting to understand why they are going to so much trouble to object to this application, and why they have asked to remain anonymous.

3) My wife, Karen McLaren has acted on behalf of Peter and Judith Waine for this application, as Judith does not have a laptop or IT to hand. I am a member of the public and I wrote the previous comment and I write this comment in support of Judith and Peter Waine's application.

Blenheim Cottage has been Judith Waine's permanent residential home since she bought the property in July 2015. I repeat from my previous comment "she has resided peacefully at this residence for the past 8+ years". Judith travelled prior to the pandemic on holiday, so she did not "live" in Blenheim Cottage for 52 weeks of the year. However, Blenheim Cottage has been her permanent home since July 2015 with the exception of holiday travel.

4) Apologies for the repetition, the timescale needed as proof that Blenheim Cottage has been used as a permanent residential home is between July 2013 and July 2023. The Isle of Wight Council have details of people who permanently resided at Blenheim Cottage between 2013 and July 2015, along with Judith Waine's information. In addition, I understand further detailed information has been offered.

In summary, I write this as a member of the public, in support of Dr Judith Waine and her son, Peter Waine. I understand that evidence has been provided to the Isle of Wight Council that gives names, and time frames of permanent residence at Blenheim Cottage between July 2013 and July 2023

I fully support the request for a lawful development certificate for continued use of Blenheim Cottage as a permanent residential dwelling due to the evidence provided.

Yours faithfully

Robert J McLaren

