

Comments for Planning Application 23/01979/FUL

Application Summary

Application Number: 23/01979/FUL

Address: Corinthian Court Cross Street Shanklin Isle Of Wight PO37 6BU

Proposal: Proposed ramp and retention of white cladding to entrance porch

Case Officer: Victoria Taylor

Customer Details

Name: Mr Jonathan Platt

Address: Barnsley House, Eddington Road, Nettlestone Seaview, Isle Of Wight PO34 5EB

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Reluctant as I am to engage with Mr Harcourt on these issues, as this is a public forum, the record must be corrected.

Mr Harcourt, is commenting on matters he does not understand. He remains ignorant despite many attempts (by myself, a lawyer hired by the members and The Leaseholders Association) to explain why he is wrong. His confidence of his position is remarkable given how many errors he has made in the past. Even an appearance before a Judge on harassment allegations that cost him hundreds of pounds will not apparently cure him of his need to make outrageous baseless allegations on a public forum such as this.

SHARES

He did not attend the AGM where the issue of pre-emption rights was discussed, debated and the members all received independent legal advice from an expert in company law. He wasn't there when the residents voted in favour of the change to the share structure having heard that advice. He doesn't know what pre-emption rights means indeed he has mis-spelled the word! The members were happy that ALL the issues he had raised (in writing the night before the AGM) were not valid. There was no dilution of their shareholding in the freehold asset of the company. Had he shown up he would have known that. He didn't show up either because he was embarrassed by his past conduct such as sending aggressive vulgar emails to myself and other residents while drunk! Perhaps he didn't show up because he wants to remain deaf dumb and blind to the facts so he can continue his baseless allegations and objections?

Directorships

He says 'the previous board would not work with' [me]. He and the only other Director resigned at

the meeting BEFORE there was any vote on who, if anyone, was prepared to be a Director. He quit because I had written to members pointing out serious issues with his stewardship of the company and he fully expected to be removed if he hadn't resigned. He was totally within his right to stand again and argue his corner and argue why I should not be appointed as a director. He choose to resign and has acted childishly from that point onwards.

Fire Safety Report

Prior to the inspection I commissioned recently, there have been at least 4 annual inspections that all highlighted issues with basic fire safety measures. These reports were commissioned during the Directorship of Mr Harcourt. He says that the issues I identified were 'already being addressed'. Not a single thing was done for 4 years. The annual reports highlighted the same shortcomings year after year and absolutely nothing was done. I'm not even sure he read the reports. I carried out ALL the work identified within a matter of days. Mr Harcourt's own front door wasn't compliant with the regulations. Despite all the aggravation I have had with Mr Harcourt, I still made sure his door was made compliant with the Fire Regulations. Still he complains, to anyone who will listen.

Car Parking Space

Yes Mr Harcourt is right, the 4 new flats do not have allocated off road parking. What he fails to mention is that I own two other flats in the building which BOTH have parking spaces that I am prepared to sell to a buyer of flat 13. Any of the owners of flats 1 - 9, including Mr Harcourt, can sell their parking spaces to anyone they want. A little bit of knowledge can be a dangerous thing.

Television Services Cut off

Again it is true that one day, during the redevelopment of the ground floor, the TV distribution box that sends the signal around the building, failed. It was 20 years old. It had absolutely nothing to do with the ground floor re-development, it was just old and needed to be replaced. I had an engineer out and the unit replaced within hours.

Water Cut off

This was nothing to do with the redevelopment of the ground floor other than it was one of my contractors who spotted a faulty stopcock in the street (it wouldn't turn off) and notified Southern Water. They sent out an engineer who tried to fix the stopcock and in the process broke one of the mains water pipes supplying the building. The residents were all advised that Southern Water were coming the next day to repair the pipe and stopcock and that the water might be off for 30 minutes. Southern Water sent their contractors the next day (Clancy Docra) who repaired the pipe but did not replace the stopcock. We notified Southern Water of their oversight and the next day they returned and the water had to be off again for 20 minutes. But Mr Harcourt knows all of this. He knows it was absolutely nothing to do with me or the redevelopment of the ground floor, he just wants people to think I am some sort of crook who cuts off utilities to cause a nuisance to him and other residents. The notice that I placed on the notice board (as a courtesy) warning residents of Southern Waters intentions, was removed by Mr Harcourt and he replaced it with a copy that had

expletives added! Breathtakingly childish behaviour.

Electricity cut off

Yes he is right the electric was knocked out for a few hours but again, just like the water, it was absolutely nothing to do with the 'on-going development' or me for that matter. An engineer with WightFibre, while installing their cables supplying their services to flats 1-9, drilled into a mains power cable in the communal area of the building, shorting some of the resident's electric. The engineer was hurt in the accident and quite shaken and didn't know what to do to make the area safe. My electrician, who was on site in flat 12, stepped in and made the electrics safe until Southern Electric could send out a team of engineers to fix this major fault. WightFibre paid 100% of the cost of not just the repair to the electrics but the redecoration of the walls that got damaged during the repair. Why Mr Harcourt feels able to link this incident to the 'on-going development' is beyond credulity. He knows the truth but tries to link it to me in an embarrassing attempt to tarnish my reputation.

I could go on addressing all of Mr Harcourts silly allegations, but I think the issues addressed above should be sufficient for anyone reading this record to understand that anything Mr Harcourt says should be treated with the utmost caution.