



To: Case Officer – Mr George Clarke Development Environment Development Management 6th Floor Bernard Weatherill House 8 Mint Walk Croydon CR0 1EA

From: Monks Orchard Residents' Association Planning

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Reference:	19/01352/FUL
Application Received:	Wed 20 Mar 2019
Application Validated:	Wed 20 Mar 2019
Address:	56 Woodmere Avenue Croydon CR0 7PD
Proposal:	Demolition of a single-family dwelling and erection of
	a 3- storey block containing 2 x 3-bedroom and 7 x 2-
	bedroom apartments with associated access, 9 parking
	spaces, cycle storage and refuse store (amended plans
	and description)
Consultation Close:	Wed 25 Sep 2019
New Target Date:	ТВА
Case Officer:	George Clarke

ADDENDUM 1

Dear Mr Clarke

Further to our objection of 17th September to the amended drawings for this application, we have observed changes to the rear elevation which were not appreciated when completing the objection comments dated 17th September. This Addendum 1 provides additional information relating to the 45° Rule with regard the increased height of the proposed development due to changes to the roof design and changes to the rear elevation.

The increased height of the proposal by 1050mm (1.05m) i.e. from the previous 400mm to 1450mm above the height of 54 Woodmere Avenue as shown on drawing **CX18-S1-106E Rev E 23/08/19 Elevations 2 as Proposed,** has had a further detrimental effect on the 45° Rule as illustrated in the diagram below.

This illustrates that the proposed development fails to meet the 45° rule on height and will intercept the 45° projection in relation to the adjacent property. It should also be recognised that the proposed development is to be sunk into a ≈0.6m hole in the ground in order to meet the adjacent property's height restriction. If the built form is NOT actually sunk into the ground, the built form would be 0.6m higher and the projected 45° Rule would show much more of the proposed development would be above the 45° intercept projection and significantly greater non-compliance to the policy. The finished floor levels and build height is therefore extremely critical as any deviation would exacerbate the 45° Rule.





The owner of **54 Woodmere Avenue** has provided the measurements for the Centre of the ground floor window at **182cm** from the boundary and **164cm** from ground level.

The Planning Officer's comment at the 1st August Planning Committee meeting suggested that the nearest smaller window did not serve a **habitable room** and indicated that the <u>45° projection</u> from the main French door windows did not intersect the adjacent proposed dwelling. This assumption was incorrect. The nearest adjacent ground floor window of 54 Woodmere Avenue has been confirmed by the owner to serve the Dining Room of that dwelling which is by definition a habitable room.





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These projections are based upon the provided plans with dimensions scaled off when magnified at **112%** which gives 1 cm = 1 m. This illustrates an overbearing nature of the proposed development on the adjacent property at **54 Woodmere Avenue**.

This is the best approximation that can be achieved with the available drawings but it is suggested that the case officer request the applicant to provide confirmation drawings of the 45° Rule prior to making a determination or recommendation in his report to confirm the actual intersect of the 45° Rule projection.

Please acknowledge receipt of this **Addendum 1** to our objection letter of 17th September to confirm your acceptance prior to close of consultation on 25th September, to ensure you have considered this additional information prior to making a determination or recommendation.

Please list our representation on the on-line public register as **Monks Orchard Residents' Association (Objects)** such that our local affected residents are aware of our support.

Please inform us at <u>planning@mo-ra.co</u> of your decision in due course.

Yours sincerely



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Sony Nair – Chairman, Monks Orchard Residents' Association. On behalf of the Executive Committee, MORA members and local residents.

Cc: Sarah Jones MP Croydon Central Mr. Pete Smith Head of Development Management (LPA) GLA Member (Croydon & Sutton) Steve O'Connell Shirley North Ward Councillor Cllr. Sue Bennet Cllr. Richard Chatterjee Shirley North Ward Councillor Cllr. Gareth Streeter Shirley North Ward Councillor Bcc: MORA **Executive Committee** Local Residents & Interested Parties