

**5 May 2021 - DM2020/01062 - Development Land North Side
And Adjoining 1 To 12 Bishops Place, Sutton - Objector**



The following Written Statement has been received regarding the above planning application.

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Name

Robert Hilson

Role and organisation (if any)

Interest in the application

Objector

Written Statement

“Objection 1. This proposal dwarfs the small two storey Victorian Cottages in Vernon Road. Para. 2.3 states “that the development will not result in harm to the character of the surrounding street-scene or that of the Newtown Area of Special Local Character”!

The Victorian cottages on Vernon Road - mine was built in 1906 - contribute significantly to the Newtown ASLC label. Why should I have to face these very tall modern dwellings? Are we not considered as part of the Newtown community? WE' WILL indeed be significantly affected and overlooked, especially as they are to be built above us on a significant slope and will appear far taller than they appear in the plans. A fact ignored by planning. How can this fact not affect the amenity of Vernon Road residents? Should my neighbour and I wish to demolish our current houses would we be allowed to develop two of the proposed units on our plot - I think not.

Objection 2. Para. 7.22 states “the proposed development would be consistent in scale and height to the surrounding residential properties”. How on earth can the proposed three storey modern proposed four bedroom units be consistent with tiny two storey mainly two bedroom Cottages in Vernon Road? The statement here is totally incorrect and should be removed.

Objection 3. Para. 7.23 states “It is difficult to replicate Victorian housing designs given the more generous space standards required by current policies”

These comments are a complete and utter insult to myself and my neighbours' feelings!!! Just because we live - and love - our tiny properties, does this mean we should have to be completely overlooked by far far taller and superior quality buildings? I don't think that's fair and equitable, do you? Are we considered the poor relations of the Newtown ASLC? Are the Planning Department saying that the quality of our houses is inferior? Please explain. Very very annoyed here. Although the proposed development is to be seen by us, we are perhaps considered useful because we will block the ugly and out of place modern development from the general public. Is this a true statement?

Objection 4. Para 7.43 states that buildings of the size of the proposed development should have gardens of 70m2. Why are these units being allowed to have gardens of 20m2?

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Objection 5. Bishops Place has a maximum width of 2.9 metres. How on earth are vehicles and pedestrians going to be able to pass each other? Vehicles reversing right, left and centre back into main Roads!

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