

The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/H1033/W/24/3341179

DETAILS OF THE CASE

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Appeal By MR DAVID BRINDLEY

Site Address
6 Grosvenor Mansions
Broad Walk
BUXTON
Derbyshire
SK17 6JH

SENDER DETAILS

Name DR KEVIN RATCLIFFE

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ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- ☐ Appellant
- ☐ Agent
- ☒ Interested Party / Person
- ☐ Land Owner
- ☐ Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- ☐ Final Comments
- ☐ Proof of Evidence
- ☐ Statement
- ☐ Statement of Common Ground
- ☒ Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- ☐ Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

Kevin and Ladan Ratcliffe
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11/06/2024

Hello,

I live at 7 Grosvenor Mansions. I would like to support Mr Brindley's application to replace single glazed sash windows in his apartment at 6 Grosvenor Mansions.

We have lived at the address since February 2023 and whilst the building and our apartment are in a good state of repair it is windows that we have to struggle with.

We purchased the apartment because we like the building and the area. The building has a lot of character and charm. However, all of the windows are of the original 'sash' type – single glazed. Some open some do not. The ones that do open can be difficult to close as the wood has misshapen over the years. All the opening windows 'rattle' violently in the wind and during the winter we had to 'stuff' newspaper and similar into the gaps to keep the wind and cold out and stop the rattling. Also, during the weekend of the 'Eat in the Park' event (August) organised by the council the noise becomes so loud that we need to vacate our apartment during the two days that it runs over.

At some point in the future the windows will pass the point where they are not serviceable or repairable and will need to be replaced. At the moment, they are noisy (they rattle in the breeze), allow outside noise to be a distraction and are very cold in the wintertime. If they were to be replaced, we would want to replace them with something very similar to what is already installed – wooden, same design to go with the building ascetics and preserve the historical look of the building.

All of the residents are in a similar position. Mr Brindley has kept me informed of his application at each stage and I fully support what he is doing.

It must be noted that along Broad Walk there are several buildings that have had windows changed that do not fall in with the ascetics of the buildings – we would want to keep the historical looks of our building.

Finally, as well as wanting the building to look nice and respect its heritage we want our apartment to maintain it's period look. At the same time to be able to open windows, keep heat in during winter and keep outside noise out. It would defy common sense to have a blanket 'no change' policy for all the windows, at some stage they be beyond repair and fall out.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to your positive response.

Yours faithfully,

Kevin Ratcliffe