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Dear Mr Ellis

I must bring to your attention my objections regarding this planning application.

Mr Childs has caused much disruption in the past whilst doing internal renovations to his property which he started in 2006; it went on for 12 years, working at different times of the day drilling and banging; including Saturdays & Sundays. Throughout all of the work Mr Childs did not speak to me once, he did not even have the courtesy to mention he would be doing the work or apologise for the noise and inconvenience it caused me.

For this extension, part of the building that needs to be removed has asbestos; this of course has to be removed properly. How will it be enforced? The barn he wants to remove abuts on to mine; how can I be assured that mine won't be damaged? Mr Childs is very 'bullish' and will go ahead with things and ask questions later. I have one small window with a view to the back of the house. I think the view will be severely obscured by the new roof of the extension, hence reducing the light into the room.

The village green is not a car park. This is the only area where deliveries and workers will be able to have access to the property. It will cause much disruption to me and the residents who live beyond 99; deliveries, postman etc. The area will be damaged for sure.

During the 12 years of disruption to my ordinary working life my health suffered severely due the noise and disturbance. I have recordings of the noise on my phone and on several occasions I contacted Environmental Health regarding the hours he was working. Examples: 27/5/15 6pm to 7.30pm hammering & drilling; 29/7/15 6.45pm Hammering & drilling, 19/12/15 7.15pm drilling, 26/7/15 SUNDAY, 2.10pm to 6pm drilling. They wrote to him advising him of times that work could be carried out but it made no difference. One day I came home to find someone with a ladder across my property scraping paint from his window. I asked who had given him permission and was told Mr Childs had said it was okay; Mr Childs had not asked me for permission. All the mess was left for me to clear up. I do shift work; I was going for 60 hours without sleep every 8 days and nearly lost my job because I fell asleep at work in 2011. In 2012 I was off work for 12 weeks due to stress. In 2014 I was diagnosed with Long QT Syndrome, a disorder of the heart's electrical activity. This condition responds to strenuous exercise or stress. In September 2016 I was fitted with a cardiac monitor and in October 2016 had an Angiogram & Echocardiogram and was told the palpitations were due to stress. I know you will think that this is 'grumpy neighbour syndrome', and in a way it is, but I am already getting stressed at the thought of another term of noise and disruption.

I would like some reassurance, that should planning permission be granted, that the work would be carried out with consideration for the neighbours and noise levels kept to a minimum and within certain times of the day.

Yours sincerely [redacted]