

**22/01188/FUL 6 Crofton Close SO17 1XB**

Dear Panel

We live at ■ Crofton Close and are one of the 14 objectors.

We were closely involved with each planning application and Appeal at No 5 in the 12 year period from 2006 - 2018, which is next door to No 6.

We could not understand why the four Appeal Inspectors' Decisions on No 5 had not been taken fully into account in the Case Officer's recommendation, so we emailed Stephen Harrison, Service Manager Development Management last week asking why this was so. He sent us a comprehensive response which helped us to understand the thinking behind the recommendation

We would however still like the panel to consider the following;

The findings and decisions taken by each of the four separate Planning Inspectors on No 5 over the 10 year period 2007 – 2017 were as per our objection, i.e. :

*"more bedrooms can accommodate more adults ..... which results in more cars ..... which leads to more parking problems ..... to the detriment of the character and amenity of the estate."*

Also, two Planning Inspectors gave as one of their reasons for refusal that it would set a precedent.

*Nb. Only one part of just one of the four Appeals on No 5 referred to its use as an illegal HMO.*

The Case Officer's report for No 6 refers to just one difference between No 5 and No 6, i.e. in 6.5.2 re turning space.

**Why is this one difference overriding all the other Appeal findings and decisions by four separate Planning Inspectors on No 5 in 2007, 2008, 2014 & 2017?**

We are not only very disappointed by the recommendation to approve, but extremely concerned that this development will set a precedent for the rest of our estate as foreseen by two Planning Inspectors.

We hope that there will be enough time for you to discuss fully the points we have made before deciding on this case.

Thank you.

Peter & Nadine Johnson