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Subject: Section 62A Planning application: S62A/2024/0041

Section 62A Planning application: S62A/2024/0041 20 Conway Road, Brislington, Bristol City, Bristol, BS4 3RF

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object to the planning application noted above.

I believe the application should be rejected for the following reasons:

- There is not enough street parking at present in this area as it is, without adding up to 7 additional cars for one house. It is unlikely that none of the adults or their visitors in the house will own a car, and these additional vehicles will add significant pressure to the already overcrowded cul-de-sac and surrounding streets. There will also be more occasions where cars have to reverse down Conway Road and on to Bloomfield Road to allow other cars to pass Bloomfield Road is a busy road and it can be difficult to see around parked cars. There are also a lot of pedestrians, including many schoolchildren, and visibility for crossing roads can be difficult at the best of times, without the unpredictability of cars reversing near junctions.
- Opening up the lane at the back of the house for bicycle access will cause a security
  risk to all of the houses on Conway Road and Martingale Road that back on to the
  lane. At present, the lane is mostly impassable, which adds a level of security.
  Despite this, there have been thefts from gardens and sheds in recent years. Clearing
  the lane will only increase the chance of break-ins and vandalism.
- Sound travels through the terraced and semi-detached houses in the area. Having potentially 7 adults in one building will significantly increase the noise levels, particularly in the summer when doors and windows are open.
- The front gardens of the houses on Conway Road are small, with barely space for the bins and recycling boxes needed for one family. The bins and boxes needed for 7 adults will likely end up on the pavement, causing access issues for pushchairs and wheelchairs.
- Allowing more large (7+) HMOs will change the character of the area and potentially devalue the surrounding property. It may also set a precedent for more large HMOs in the area.

In summary, I feel that a 7-person HMO will significantly change what is currently a quiet, residential street, causing logistical and practical problems and decreasing the security of local properties.

Yours faithfully, Rachel Mepsted