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Dear Planning Inspectorate

Concerns relating to proposed plans at rear of 372-374 Southmead Road, BS10 5LP:

- our kitchen and garden will be overlooked by the flats reducing our privacy.
- loss of character of the area:

Very saddened to see yet another green space disappear (the garden of 374). It has been gravelled over already. Not sure why the council allows this to happen, it's already happened at the other end of our terrace where garden with numerous trees was replaced into a gravel car park without permission. Despite an enforcement, planning was then granted to build on the once garden. I really hope this doesn't happen again. It impacts on my mental health looking out to yet more grey and buildings. The long gardens to the rear of our property were one of the reasons we purchased the property, it feels more and more claustrophobic with the surrounding developments.

- loss of biodiversity:

The loss of any green space (even small gardens) affects pollen for bees and habitats for invertebrates. This then has a knock on effect to amphibians, birds and mammals. We have had frogs, newts, bats, foxes and badgers in our garden. Despite being on a main road the gardens provide an invaluable habitat/ haven for wildlife and I don't think people should be able to just get rid of them and destroy the habitats in order to make profit.

- parking for residents:

Parking is already extremely restricted for residents, with more people and no provision for parking space this will be worse. Our property has no parking provision due to the restriction bay outside our house and the ridiculous conditions the council put in place when we applied for a driveway (and were extremely unhelpful when we asked what the cost of these conditions would be). As working parents, we rely on our cars, I wouldn't be able to get to my place of work as a [REDACTED] and my husband as a [REDACTED] without our cars but the parking situation has become worse and worse with more split residency properties and the development of the hospitals.

Thank you for considering the above points.

Kind regards

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