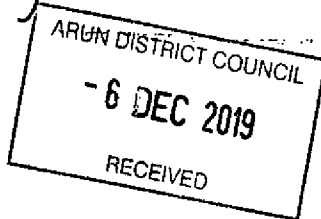


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Dear Ms Willard,

My husband and I live at 49, Westminster Drive and have just seen the planning application for no 51 Westminster Drive, the middle of our block of three houses. It transpires that a previous owner of no 51 has slatted over the foul water inspection cover serving our property. This cover is just over the boundary line of our property and on to his. (no 51)

There is a foul water drain for all three adjoined properties which runs along under the ground about two and a half metres out from the back walls of no 51 and 53. We are also concerned that the foul water insp cover on no 53's ground has been covered over as well as there is an extension on the back of this house.

We are worried therefore that the architect and builders will not be aware of this foul water drain run (with relevant inspection covers) which runs close to the back of no's 51 + 53, as there is no visual evidence of this. We have lived here for over 40 years and know exactly where the inspection covers were situated before home improvements took place.

We have spoken to a retired building inspector and current architect and he informed us that because the drain run serves two or more properties Southern Water are responsible for it and will insist there is inspection access matching their records and will need to see plans of the proposed development in order to give consent to works above a drainage run. We understand that Southern Water have the power to refuse building works permission and that special measures need to be in place to protect the drain from damage or collapse.

Whilst we have no objections to the extension being built we would like all necessary precautions to be taken and the foul water inspection cover to be re-instated in an accessible place.

Please could you re-assure us that these issues will be addressed and we would appreciate written confirmation to that effect.