

1. I am the owner of 7, Mead Court, Mead Lane, Bognor Regis, PO22 8BL.
2. The proposed development at 8 Mead court is very close to my property. Pedestrian and vehicular access to the proposed development would necessarily be over land owned by me to the front of 7, Mead Court. I object to the proposed development at 8 Mead Court for the planning reasons listed below.
3. First, the development is in a Conservation Area. It would certainly not enhance the site. On the contrary it would be detrimental to the visual appearance of the site.
4. Situated as a squat 2-storey addition at the western end of a row of well-designed 3-storey terraced town houses it would throw the aesthetic equilibrium of the whole 8 terraced building out of kilter. It would make it look asymmetric by adding a building to one end of the terrace without a matching one at the other end making the whole terrace look lopsided. It certainly would not "blend" in as the Design Statement suggests. It would stick out like a sore thumb. The fact it was at a different height would draw the eye towards it and highlight it.
5. The proposal would take the (new) end of the terrace too close to the alternative historic wall and spoil the view of its contours. It would look artificial and crammed-in. Part of the conservation attractiveness has to be architecturally-pleasing use of space to help define contours and boundaries and gaps between buildings and to 'frame' them. This development proposal overlooks the need for such good design features.
6. The proposal would create an oppressive bulk or mass which would become a focal point. It would spoil the look of the buildings all around it and diminish them. This would include adversely affecting the setting of the listed buildings.
7. It represents an over-development of the site and one that would be prejudicial to the character and appearance of the Upper Bognor Road and Mead Lane Conservation Area.
8. The existing 8-row terrace is a good modern design and this insensitive extension is hostile and alien to the original design concept of the existing building. It looks odd and ill-fitting from the front elevation, the side elevation, and the rear elevation.
9. The proposal represents an unacceptable intensification of the use of the site which would generate a large increase in vehicular and pedestrian movement across the access route from Mead Lane. The parking position is already tight in that area. There are a couple of tight turns, some pinch points, and little room for manoeuvrability.
10. There is also a risk of overspill from 8, Mead Court, with vehicles parking on the frontage land owned by myself and the owners of the other houses in the terrace which could create a parking nuisance.

11. Contrary to what is stated in Section 6 of the Application there would need to be creation of rights of way.
12. Little information is provided in the Drainage Statement. There would be a risk of additional surface water being generated with possible run-off towards my property.

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