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Dear Janice Chapman,  
Planning Dept.

Our objections to the build.

I have lived at 37 Stampswood Way since 2000 which is 14 years. I am a 24:7 1:1 carer for my son, Stephen who has autism/learning difficulties. My daughter Michelle does 25 hrs week work with Stephen and Stephen goes to Larche where his 1:1 is a good carer, Julie who helps Stephen Tues and Wednesday for a total of 14 hrs. The rest 129 hrs week I (Mum) have to do, cause I have been unable to find good care in West Sussex - I am fighting to get Assisted Living in 37 Stampswood Way (Stephen's home) - good care for him 24:7 1:1 -

I have told my brother I do not want this build but they ignore me. My Mum wanted us to live in this home happily without being harassed, she died Jan 2006 and would have been very sad of how I and Stephen are being treated by the brothers.

The proposal to build has caused Stephen and I enormous stress. If it went ahead it would destroy my and Stephen's privacy as my bedroom wall and Stephen's bedroom wall and my lounge and dining room walls would be shared with other people who move in.

I do not want my son, Stephen living on the verge in the extension as I have told my brother countless times

My vision and Stephen's vision for his future is for him to have 37 Steppswood Way as his base - as his home as my Mum/and his Nanny intended, and when good care is established there; for me to move to a 1 bed place in Chislehurst/Bogor and to be able to see Stephen when I want. This plan would enable Stephen to thrive as the good care would not just care for him but also teach him how to cope with life. Stephen has just had a 12 week assessment with social services, and all of the reports show he needs maximum support. I have had a meeting with them and I have told them our vision.

37 Steppswood way was my Mum's home and she gave it to Gili Mascarenhan, her son but told her sons to take care of my family, which is me, Stephen, Michelle and her son Jaydon. The only people who live at 37 Steppswood is Stephen and I.

I have told the brothers that you can not put the cart before the horse i.e. you cannot just give a house (2 bed) to someone and get them to care for Stephen, that is the way you get thieves - i.e. they will take the house money and not care for Stephen. Good care has to be found, supervised, trained, monitored - and of course then paid for. My idea and Stephen's is to use 37 Steppswood to get ~~perhaps~~ Michelle, sister to continue with 25th week, & 14 hrs - at launch, 31 hrs, United Response until it's built to 24.7 i.e. good care in his own home and the care agency will oversee the care.

Stephen needs maximum support, good care, education, stability, consistency and Assisted living can do all those things. Stephen does not cope well with change and his behaviours deteriorate unless trained, and people wanting to do their job do their job.

This build well do Nothing for us as a family it will in fact make our lives much worse. Sincerely [redacted]

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37 Stempwood Way is a lovely 3 bedroom home, Stephen has his own bedroom and his carer can have their own room. There is plenty of space with a lovely garden and it is fenced off so it is very safe to prevent Stephen running off. There is no need for the extension, as we already have the facility to go ahead with Assisted living for Stephen right now.

Stephen does not like change and would not like to be stuck on the verge in the extension he likes his existing place which is familiar to him, people with autism like stability, familiarity, structure, their behaviour deteriorate with change and this change is totally unnecessary for Stephen and I.

Sincerely,



You say they have told you they want the extension to put a family member in, well it maybe a son of theirs, who would not be a trained carer and would not care about caring for Stephen. Stephen has a Care Plan written by me which specifies what he needs to thrive and he needs a team of carers who will work with him 1:1 to enable him to be cared for but also for Stephen to learn how to cope with life.



Sepler/Mum

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