

WITNESS STATEMENT

I, Shujat Khan of 30b Peaks Hill Purley Surrey CR8 3JF state as follows:-

1 I am a director of 66 The Street Limited which owns the land the subject of this application for lawful development certificate in response to the council's letter of 16 December 2021 threatening enforcement action.

2 I understand from email and an officer report on case R/113/21/PL, that the local planning authority Arun District Council ('council') assert the building approved under case R/205/19/PD for conversion ('approval') has been demolished, witnessed on 14 December 2021. This is incorrect.

3 The approval includes approved plans titled 'existing' and 'proposed' ground floor plans, respectively numbered E01 and P01. Other plans show the 'site location' and 'block', titled respectively SLP01 and BP01. There was also 'agents particulars' which contains imaging. There was, however, no approved elevations plan.

4 Conversion work began as the council were so slow to decide a proposal to extend upwards (case R/113/21/PL), which perhaps were feared by residents as premature work to extend, there was scaffolding, which prompted the council to visit on 14 December. We had by then been carrying conversion works as approved, that entailed new windows and many revisions to openings in the various elevations, there are 10 elevations. New openings had been approved for 2 new windows, with many changes to other openings. These approved works were in progress on 14 December, requiring significant changes to comply with the approved plan P01. The contention there was no building on site on that date, or any other date, is untrue, I am corroborated by the on-site contractor, whose statement dated 24th March 2022 I have seen.

5 I confirm that this declaration was produced by Solicitors instructed by me and is based upon what I have told them.

I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true I understand that proceedings for contempt of court may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief in its truth.

Dated: 25th March 2022

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