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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to notify you of my objections to the above planning development.

Recently, a development of a block of flats was built upon the Hardgate end of this same property, which used to be one large garden, halving the size of the garden and tarring over the green space. Whilst I did not object to this development, to now find that the other half of this same garden is now to be further developed causes me concern, and I perceive this to be over-development.

It appears that our green space in the City Centre is fast disappearing and this is further 'garden grabbing'. Such developments negatively impact on the quality of life for people like myself who live in the City Centre and enjoy the little green space and access to light we have left.

This development appears to stretch right to the border wall with the block of flats that I reside in next door at 323 and will be taller, which will also block out some of the already limited light we get in our garden, and potentially damage the wall which surrounds my garden. The street lighting in the area is also poor in Winter and so we need all the natural light we can get.

I also feel that the visual impact would be negative as the new build will be out of place in character and appearance with the older houses and tenement blocks around it.

This property is also near the junction with Bloomfield Road, and I'd have further concerns about road safety issues, if a business was to be situated there.

I am sceptical about the parking survey carried out. I regularly have challenges finding parking at my flat, particularly during office hours, despite what your surveyors found. Another business premises and four flats will impact on this situation significantly. I can only assume that the survey counted the parking on the east side of Bloomfield Road, where there are quite a lot of spaces but many inaccessible due considerably overgrown shrubs and bushes which need significantly cut back, and therefore should not have been counted.

We neighbours had to suffer all the noise and disturbance of the recent development mentioned above. Further noise and disturbance of construction will undoubtedly impact on our mental wellbeing.

Holburn Street is a nice street to live on particularly because of the lovely gardens in the area - please don't allow another to be bulldozed over for parking space and 'development'. Better development would be to spend some time and money enhancing and preserving the lovely old houses and flats that are already there and encouraging more greenery and light in the area, rather than increasing population and business density - though sadly, less profitable for those with money to build!

Yours sincerely,
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