

Comments for Planning Application 181431/DPP

Application Summary

Application Number: 181431/DPP

Address: 18 Home Farm Gardens Bridge Of Don Aberdeen Aberdeen City AB22 8BP

Proposal: Erection of timber decking along rear boundary with associated steps and handrails (retrospective)

Case Officer: Sheila Robertson

Customer Details

Name: Mrs Elaine MacMillan

Address: 14 Home Farm Gardens Bridge of Don Aberdeen

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer made comments neither objecting to or supporting the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Although I think the decking itself is a good use of an otherwise disused piece of land, I cannot think why now you are asking for planning permission when the decking is already in place. Knowing that family members and the home owner have good knowledge of the rules and regulations concerning planning permission, I think they have carried out the work knowing that planning permission may not be granted and gone ahead and done it anyway causing unnecessary distress to houses next door to them and making it unlikely that the decking itself will be taken down, so personally what is the point in this process, to me it seems a waste of time. In my opinion it is a total infringement of neighbouring houses' privacy. I cannot imagine what it would be like to feel like someone was able to see into your property at that height. From the decking not only can you see into rooms level with the decking but also that of levels below in neighbouring houses' mines included on both levels, although we were assured that was not the case, we have later learned it is possible. I also think it may also involve a security issue for the whole development if a gate is put onto the back fence which I believe is their intention, in their words as another exit to their property. Unfortunately buying a mid terrace townhouse, everyone knows that this includes one entry, that is what you pay for. This gate would allow anyone from the land behind to enter the development discreetly. From this decking you can see into houses at either side and to a certain degree further along especially depending on the light. I feel people are reluctant to complain because no one likes confrontation but we've all moved into this fabulous development and this has caused real disharmony amongst neighbours. Again, I can understand why they have put it there with regard to the sun being there all day etc. if it's the sun they like, buy a south facing garden, but I feel the way they have gone about it has been a bit underhand and without thought for its effects on neighbouring houses. It is completely unsuitable for this type of house and the size of the garden and I can see why it may be very intimidating for people sitting outdoors.