

The Old Rectory
Kildale
Whitby
YO212RQ
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Reference NYM/2021/0820/FL – The Old Rectory Kildale

This a response to the concerns and objections raised over the request to use our family home flexibly and relax a condition on the stable.

1. We have total respect for the expertise and advice of the planning dept and have always endeavoured to discuss, take direction and follow that. This is with the sole intent to preserve, renovate, repair, and cherish this listed building we have the privilege to live in and have invested heavily in the aesthetics to restore and preserve it for future generations.
2. Circumstances and family life events have changed plans over the last 17years, and our applications have reflected life-changing for us.
3. Having people staying in our home with the flexibility of how we use the rooms in our property has zero impact on the village or the parking.
4. The situation has never arisen and will not occur where any people staying at the Old Rectory has ever parked outside its curtilage.
5. To our amazement, someone who has had a coffee shop for years and others running shooting parties in the village and renting out holiday lets and short village accommodation could object to people parking on our own land. The estate has blocked most available parking for the village, people now park off the road outside our home. Everything they have done impacts us, but we do not object. All-day every day, the residents at Glebe Cottage park on the junction at Station Road rarely use their car parking for cars as it has a BBQ Party hut right up against our home without any space or planning as far as we are aware.
6. Any congestion or access difficulties are caused by the objectors to this application.
7. The application was submitted as advised 820 is a planning application, and 826 is a listed building application. Both applications were completed and submitted together, presumably to different departments – this is out with our control how they are processed.
8. The covid pandemic was also outwith our gift and therefore our plans have adapted to comply with government advice. We closed our accommodation within the house. Our daughter was working on a palliative care covid ward for the first year of the pandemic and as such had to live separately from my clinically vulnerable and immune-suppressed husband. She has continued to work in ITU throughout with all the stress that encompasses. She has now been forced to leave the house and live elsewhere not in some small part due to the intrusion of drones flying past her bedroom window, music and drum playing at all hours, netballs banging against her wall whilst she is trying to sleep and the neighbours 'watering' our building – the building we are referring to backs onto a carpark for the coffee shop and we have blocked up the window which overlooked their garden from this building. Glebe cottage have a reduced garden and increased visibility due to their own extension, balcony which they may want to reflect on which is all completely nothing to do with us.
9. The impact of my daughter no longer being able to live here is that even less cars and visitors are at the old rectory. There are two less people living here than in most homes in the village. Our B&B occasional visitors when my husband is fit are short term and predominately walkers in the last ten years 99% of people walk to us on the Cleveland Way therefore this does not create traffic...
10. The stable was built as a stable and not living accommodation as we did not have this in mind. We could not possibly predict the devastating illness that has befallen Ian causing him to give up work and the subsequent need for him to rehabilitate after years in hospital and 12 years of me having to working nationally and returning for weekends.

11. Planning permission was sought appropriately.
12. We would like to live in our home flexibly, not knowing whether we will at a particular stage now need to contend with elderly parent's needs.
13. We never had a complaint about noise or parking.
14. The gathering the objectors refer was one gathering this is the only example he can give of his peace being disturbed we had had one weekend when my 81 year father and 70-year-old sister in law visited, and we sat outside. It is not unreasonable to utilise our private home as a home. There is no law against having your father to stay as far as I am aware. I would note that there is cause for concern of the neighbour replacing what were sealed windows with opening ones so he can now look into the curtilage of a listed building, flying drones, playing loud music disturbing the peace, and putting sheds in front of our windows to block light.
15. The canopy is minimal and handmade in keeping and replaces a canopy the previous owners erected with our planning permission which was an eyesore and covered a broken cement lintel.

I would stress this is our family home and we do nothing that does anything except restore, enhance and preserve a magnificent grade 1 building which cherish.

We are always resident, so visitors have the only impact is to keep the buildings aired and utilised and breathing, which is good for old buildings. We are in residence; this is not a small hotel; it is a private home in which we rent out some rooms.

I object to the slander, insinuation and accusations that we do anything to affect the village or that conditions are not met there is no breach of any conditions; the objections are written in a way to try and make it seem that these are new buildings they are not it is the same space not additional space.

As shown below, we are referring to the building on the left, left of pole and neighbours BBQ hut and car parking to the right.



I hope this provides some helpful clarity.

Kind Regards

Jenny McKnight 18.01.2022