

## Comment on a planning application

### Application Details

**Application:** 24/2922/HOT

**Address:** 18 Boileau Road Barnes London SW13 9BL

**Proposal:** Single storey side and rear extension

### Comments Made By

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### Comments

**Type of comment:** Object to the proposal

**Comment:** I own the house next door (no 20). I have an objection to the proposed side extension which my neighbour wishes to build on our shared driveway that leads to our back gates. My title deeds name us as owners-in-common of the driveway, stating the owners share a right of way over the full width of the driveway 'for all purposes and at all times hereafter'. I have harmoniously shared the driveway with all my previous neighbours for the 50 years I have lived here. All of us kept our bins there. All agreed to occasionally park our cars there, and have allowed each other's visitors to use it to temporarily park off-street. The driveway is only 8-ft wide, the width of a single car. The proposed extension would reduce the width to less than a 4-ft narrow alleyway wall to wall.

I am a wheelchair user and this would give me barely space to manoeuvre to the front and back gate of my house with room to turn, not to mention the impossibility of access during months of construction work. At present when one of my children drives me to a hospital appointment (I have many) they can park off street while collecting my wheelchair and helping me to get ready, thus avoiding a potential parking fine. Without the driveway they could no longer help me.

My lodger of 30 years has a small home maintenance business that necessitates the use of the drive for loading/unloading materials and furniture to be mended as well as our own garden waste disposal.

The increased closeness of the side extension to my house would enable burglars to stand on its roof and easily reach the flat roof of my rear extension with access to all my first-floor rear windows.

These north facing houses already have limited sunlight and the erection of a 2-metre fence would restrict the light that comes from the front of the house to my driveway-facing downstairs window.

No other similar houses have built on their shared driveways, so there is no precedent set.