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Submission: Objection

Comments: Our objections are to the glass-fronted first floor development, balcony and outside staircase. We lay our objections out in line with the headings within the planning guidance below:

LOSS OF PRIVACY TO OTHERS

The balcony will have a significant impact on our privacy as it directly overlooks the windows to the back of our property, offers a view into bedrooms, and overlooks our outside garden and decking area. Anyone standing on the balcony will have a direct view into all of these areas.

The full glass window has the same issues. It overlooks the windows to the back of our property, offers a view into bedrooms, and overlooks our outside garden and decking area. Anyone standing within that space & particularly within the large door area if opened - will have a direct view into all of these areas.

The combination of the height of the development, a glass fronted design, a balcony, and an outside staircase creates an overwhelming feeling of being overlooked.

A first floor of any design will create a sense of enclosure and an increasing loss of privacy to our property with a particular impact on our first floor bedrooms and garden area.

The overall scale and height of the proposed development will leave us with a feeling of being more overlooked and a loss of privacy.

DESIGN AND VISUAL IMPACT

Without prejudice to our overall objections to the addition of a first floor as described above, we have objections to the design and appearance of the first floor as faces our property.

The addition of a full glass frontage is out of character and not in keeping with either the current building or the general character of village.

The proposed glass fronted first floor development can be viewed from ours and adjoining properties on Glen Drive, as well as from Cheadle Road and Cedar Hill lower down the valley.

The glass fronted and balcony design together with an outside staircase is out of keeping with the existing property and notably out of character with the neighbourhood.

NOISE, SMELL AND POLLUTION

Without prejudice to our general objection to a first floor development; the addition of a balcony, wide open doors, outside staircase, and potential jacuzzi identifies the development as one that will be used socially.

The additional height of the development over current social elements of the property will lead to a significant increase in the volume of noise within our property and into our outside garden space.

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