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To: [Planning Comments \(SMDC\)](#)
Subject: Planning Comments SMD/2024/0508
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application Number: SMD/2024/0508

Further to the planning notice dated 22nd November, received on 2nd December, relating to the above application.

We were grateful that Emma and her mother brought the proposed plans over for us to view and comment on back in October. We reviewed and met again a few days later to provide our feedback, which is detailed below.

We are entirely sympathetic towards the need of Emma to extend in part, following the sale of her mother's large property in Uttoxeter and needing additional space.

We are concerned that a two-storey extension would deliver an imposing structure and, upstairs, only provide an additional dressing room off the master bedroom. A single-storey extension would still deliver a large upstairs bathroom with two good-sized bedrooms, complemented by the additional downstairs bedroom, wc and kitchen extension for her sons' needs.

As the existing house roofline is relatively low, the proposed Velux windows appear to be positioned low enough (approx. 140cm from floor level – although difficult to tell from the plans) to allow for full view into our teenage son and daughter's adjacent bedrooms 4-5m away, and down into our kitchen/family room. We would kindly ask that this be confirmed, and positioned higher (190cm or more) to provide light, without compromising our privacy.

We are on good terms with Emma and would like for her to remain our neighbour whilst fulfilling the needs of her family.

We hope that there can be a compromise on the proposed plans to enable her to meet her needs without significant detriment to our privacy/amenity. In summary, this would include:

1. Single-story extension to the house rather than two-storey
2. Increase height in position from floor level of proposed Velux window

Yours faithfully,

Mike & Alex Horton