

For the attention of Lou Randall – Case Officer

PL/2022/01514/MINFHO | Erect front and side boundary wall with gates. | 89 Hampton Lane Solihull B91 2QD

We have been notified of the above planning application and have the following observations and comments.

- 1) The application is a little confusing as refers to roof, windows and doors which seem to be irrelevant to the application.
- 2) Following a site viewing from the highway, there appears to be 1 tree to the left of the proposed wall that is within falling distance of the proposed boundary wall.
- 3) Contrary to the statement made on the application form the site can be viewed from the public highway.
- 4) Whilst we don't object to the principle of the brick wall around the front of the property, we do **object** to the materials that are proposed being used in filling the parapet structures. These are **solid grey upvc panels** and if installed will give the impression of an industrial type premises - totally out of keeping with neighbouring properties and other similar constructions on Hampton Lane. Many of those neighbouring properties and those along Hampton Lane itself, have similar, but generally lower brick walls to the those in the application, but the infill 'panels' are of **open grille** type wrought ironwork and most have landscape planting behind them, softening the overall appearance which we would find **acceptable**. We feel it would be appropriate for suitable landscaping to be planted behind the new wall to soften the appearance and this should be included as a condition in the event the application was approved.
- 5) Similarly, the proposed front opening gates are of **solid type upvc panels** – again presenting an industrial appearance contrary to wrought iron grille type gates presenting an open aspect to the premises. We **object** to the current proposal as it stands. Once again, neighbouring properties and others along Hampton Lane have wrought iron open grille type gates creating an open aspect along the lane which we would support if it was used in this development.
- 6) Solihull Local Plan 2013.: We believe the current application fails to meet policies P14 , and P15 and by virtue of the fact that site is within the Green Belt ,the construction as applied for, presents a 'closed' visual impact and we suggest this conflicts with one of the purposes of the Green Belt i.e.' openness' and is therefore contrary to Policy P17 as there are no' very special circumstances put forward by the applicant as justification.

Julie Barnes, Hampton in Arden Parish Council. 25 July 2022

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