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## **The Planning Inspectorate**

## COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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## Appeal Reference: APP/L1765/C/18/3195411

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DETAILS OF THE CASE	
Appeal Reference	APP/L1765/C/18/3195411
Appeal By	MR M OAKLEY
Site Address	Land known as Texas Texas Drive OLIVERS BATTERY SO22 4HT
SENDER DETAILS	
Name	MR MARK BUGLER
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ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS	
In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?	
☐ Appellant	
☐ Agent	
☑ Interested Party / Person	
☐ Land Owner	
□ Rule 6 (6)	
What kind of representation are you making?	
☐ Final Comments	
□ Proof of Evidence	
□ Statement	
☐ Statement of Common Ground	
☑ Interested Party/Person Correspondence	
□ Other	

## YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

We as local residents, are very aggrieved at the process and work undertaken on the Texas Drive land, which is outside the local planning area, in an area of extreme beauty, steeped in history. It's quite appropriate given the timing that this is being looked at again. The 100th anniversary of the ending of first world war where Texas drive was used as a muster station for the troops and horses going to and returning from War. To just bulldoze the topography and sensitive nature of this land is sickening.

The fact that planning was granted in the first place for such a huge building was nothing short of scandalous. I believe it was granted on appeal, against the wishes of the Parish and City Councils. A number of fudges were undertaken to get round the guidance on the size of the property to be built, including adding up all the buildings floor area to try and allow for a huge and inappropriate building on the condition the existing buildings were demolished. However, having won this appeal, it appears to us that all conditions were ignored, huge landmovers appeared and the land was excavated and changed beyond recognition. Residents were onto the phone daily to the council to alert them and get this stopped before damage was done, but processes all took time and we are now left with the scars on this landscape.

I think what has aggrieved us most as residents is that the total disregard for our precious landscapes. There were a number of conditions set to allow for this over sized property to be built, all seem to have been disregarded. The multi level building for which planning was granted was ignored and land cut away, some 4m deep to the north to accommodate a levelled property. The land was levelled and built up at the south end too, forming what looks like a bund, specifically against the conditions of planning and causing a huge white scar from the exposed chalk to be visible from the elevated downs and butterfly reserve. Shrubs and trees were removed to accommodate, which we later discovered to be plans for a menage, none of which was mentioned in planning or permission granted. The footings are bigger, once again that that granted with internal living spaces created out of what was to be internal garages. It appears the developer has a total disregard for plans and permission as granted and has built what he wants and bulldozed the area to accommodate his wishes.

If this appeal is upheld, this will set a very worrying precedent and allow others to build as they wish and later get retrospective planning permission and cause untold damage to sensitive and beautiful areas without worry of sanction in the process.