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From: Tom Davies (Cllr)
Sent: 17 September 2020 08:47
To: Richard Samuel (Cllr)
Subject: Fwd: 23 Grosvenor Place

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: 17 September 2020 at 08:26:45 BST
To: Tom Davies (Cllr)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: 23 Grosvenor Place

Dear Tom

I fully support the recent emails I have seen from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] to you.

It is clear that Julian House seem to have no control over the drug issues, and frankly therefore are not of any use to us at all.

The principle issue here has been covered many times. It is the invasion of our area by people with drug issues and everything that goes with it .

By what right do the council have to unilaterally and fundamentally introduce a community of drug users to our community?

They do not have that right and I believe it to be a gross abuse of their powers and probably illegal.

[REDACTED] would you please send me the email address of the barrister that we have ? We must now start a legal process I believe.

Tom, put simply, we appreciate your efforts in consulting with residents, but we want this hostel closed down and the drug activity with it .

With respect, just hanging around waiting for the council's decision in December is not serving any purpose. Wait a minute here, am I wrong or did the council without any consultation move the residents of number 23 in and now we are being told nothing we can do nothing except wait for a decision in December? Are you serious ?

This is not acceptable. Of course it isn't.

We need you, as our councillor, to get serious, take note of our feelings and act on them.

Meeting members of Julian House is of no use to us. We need you, as our councillor to help us With direct action to close this facility down.

It seems we must mount legal action to stop this and wish you to help manage and lead it . Will you do this ? There is no other way open to us . All this civilised conversation is getting us nowhere.

We await your response.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
Date: 16 September 2020 at 15:51:23 BST
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fw: 23 Grosvenor Place

Maybe not as reasoned as yours [REDACTED] but I have said what I think. Hopefully they will start to listen as they have turned [REDACTED] neighbourhood where are biggest problem was the bins to one where our concerns are about drugs!

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From: [REDACTED]
To: tom_davies@bathnes.gov.uk
Sent: Wednesday, 16 September 2020, 15:48:21 BST
Subject: 23 Grosvenor Place

Dear Tom,

we have not met but [REDACTED] meet and greet held by Julian house yesterday and was very disturbed by what I learnt.

It does seem that if the council is paying for upgrades to the fire alarm system of number 23 then some decision has already been taken by the council as to its long term use. I do not feel that the council have consulted the residents of Grosvenor Place appropriately over the proposed use of number 23. I do appreciate your efforts in knocking on doors with the restrictions that are in place at this time, but don't feel there has been enough consultation or time given to something that has already had a massive impact on the area.

[REDACTED] faced with someone actively taking drugs, already under the influence of them or screaming and crying that their drug deal has gone wrong, as has happened.

[REDACTED] from Julian House reassured us that the known drug dealer [REDACTED] was in prison but as we all know another dealer will have taken his place and be regularly visiting the property. So now we have regular visits from drug dealers into the street that we did not have before the current residents of number 23 were tenanted there.

[REDACTED] also from Julian House reassured me that he has the number of 4 police officers, I'm not entirely sure how that will benefit me as the anti social drug taking behaviour does not only happen in office hours. Do I call him when someones taking drugs or shouting at a resident to go away as it's 'their street' and he shouldn't be there? Then what he then calls the police who may or may not be on duty, as I say I'm not entirely sure how that is meant to help and why should I take comfort in the fact that he has those numbers?

[REDACTED] encouraged me to have the number for the security personnel within number 23 to hand.

They have encouraged us to report these behaviours which, I think, puts us at risk, as the residents of number 23 will know people are reporting specific incidences to Julian House, the council and police and it will raise tensions.

The points above tell me that the staff of Julian House fully expect the anti social, drug taking behaviour to continue. They expect us to come face to face with it and feel anxious and threatened by it and they seem to feel that is acceptable to ask us to live with it and the fact that we can report it should be enough for us to be ok with it. Telling me to have security numbers and they have access to police is all very well but I never needed them before the current residents of number 23 were moved in. What are your thoughts on what the council should be allowed to impose on residents and expect them to deal with on a frequent basis?

[REDACTED] drug taking is occurring at the side road at the entrance to [REDACTED] street. The organisation Shelter says that people are allowed the 'quiet enjoyment' of their home, [REDACTED] does that apply to the other people who are residents of Grosvenor Place?

The answers given by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were very vague, probably deliberately so. They don't know how long the seven residents whose behaviour concerns them the most will live in Grosvenor Place as finding alternative accommodation is not their responsibility. They put all responsibility onto the decisions being made on to the shoulders of organisations that were not present.

This move by Julian House and the council has changed my neighbourhood from a safe one to one where regular drug dealing and drug taking are occurring. That is unacceptable. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Regards

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