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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached retrospective planning application for the development of a timber framed garden room with veranda at our property in Netley Abbey.

Construction of this building was started in November 2024 and completed in January 2025. At the time of construction, I was assured by the builder that the garden room would be compliant with Permitted Development regulations. I therefore sought clarification by email from our local council that permitted development rights had not been removed from our property on 22.10.24, receiving confirmation on 30.10.2024. As such, no application for planning permission was obtained prior to construction. Unfortunately, it has been brought to our attention recently, that this building does not comply with permitted development regulations. Please accept my apologies and this retrospective application.

Prior to construction, we sought the views of all immediate neighbours (with adjoining boundaries) on the potential construction of the garden room. The response was entirely positive with no objections.

The purpose of this garden room is to provide an additional area for our children (age 4, 5 & 7) to enjoy. This is particularly important for our youngest son, who suffers with Autism Spectrum Disorder, among other neurodevelopmental difficulties and therefore has very different needs to his two older brothers, one of which has ADHD and Developmental Delay. The garden room serves as a second living room allowing the children to have 2 different environments to suit their individual needs. In the 15 months since the rooms completion, it has significantly improved our quality of life as a family.

I respectfully request that the planning authority grants permission for this retrospective proposal. I believe that it represents a well designed development that enhances the property while respecting its surroundings.

Kind Regards,

Richard Halligan