

APPLICATION REF:
F/26/100809

PLANNING INSPECTORATE
APPEAL REFERENCE:
6015024

11, Kenilworth Gardens
West End,
Southampton,
Hants.

SO30 3RE
25th September, 2026.

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please find enclosed my objection to F. Bizzey c/o Macra Ltd's appeal to the Secretary of State against Eastleigh Borough Council's refusal of Planning Permission for the proposed development in the garden of The Orchard, 5 Westgate Mews, Kenilworth Gardens, Southampton, SO30 3RE.

On 25th September I made two attempts to submit my objection via the government planning inspectors' site using the above

reference. I then tried to speak to the inspectorate's team in the morning, and then again in the afternoon to find out if there was a fault with the website. I was unable to speak to anyone to resolve this problem.

Yours faithfully,



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I do not support E. Bizzy c/o Macra Ltd.'s appeal application to develop the garden of The Orchard, 5, Westgate Mews, Kenilworth Gardens. It was so disappointing to receive notification from Eastleigh Borough Council that their decision was being challenged. Once again, we have to justify our objections to the infilling of this garden/ex orchard, situated in Westgate Mews with its intentionally restricted access, at the end of our cul-de-sac, Kenilworth Gardens.

Macra cite the Local Development Plan, and the more recent NPPF (2026), to validate their appeal against the E.B.C.'s decision. However, we are surrounded by new building sites and estates to address the need for housing e.g. One Horton Heath on the edge of West End, Boorley Green, and Boorley Garden in the borough of Eastleigh.

On 14th September, 2026, I attended an E.B.C. local consultation planning exhibition where I saw that there are more sites being prepared for housing development in this area going up to 2044. Therefore, contrary to Macra's reasoning, I would argue there is no benefit, only distress and difficulties to the residents of Kenilworth Gardens and Westgate Mews, from the 'optimisation of [this] site[s] capacity to help meet the housing needs', or that this is an 'efficient use of land'. 'This land' is a large garden which was once part of a beautiful orchard at the end of the Kenilworth Gardens. The residents of Westgate Mews have no pavements and the entrance has a deliberately restricted access wall.

Entrance and exit to Kenilworth Gardens, and thus Westgate Mews:

- Has become more hazardous and is becoming more and more difficult to drive through. Some days it's like, 'running the gauntlet,' due the increased need for parking at Fielders Court. Often visitors, carers and resident's cars are parked further up the road into K.G. Delivery vehicles and cars are often parked on the bend ignoring clear double yellow lines. This bend in the road, outside 26, Kenilworth Gardens, makes it difficult for drivers to have a clear view when approaching the bend from either direction. This photo shows the view leaving K.G. from the bend taken on 11th September, 2026.



On at least 3 occasions refuse lorries have been unable to negotiate the entrance to K.G. to collect our rubbish.

- Again, contrary to Macra's appeal proposal, as cited in 7.30 p.36, there is every reason to be concerned for the amenity and safety of existing residents in Westgate Mews and Kenilworth Gardens. There will be an increase in traffic generated by at

least 20 more cars. On top of which there will be the construction vehicles and the delivery of building equipment and materials for the development. Our road is only just wide enough for two cars to pass if there are no parked cars on the road.

- Residents and visitors to Kenilworth Gardens are often forced to park illegally on the pavement so as to allow for cars to pass, grocery delivery vehicles, delivery vans, and minibuses going to and from the residential community home, plus the cars of the carers for the residents of this home. In the report there is a reference to courteous driving behaviour to mitigate the above problems. I take umbridge at being told by property developers as to how we should drive when they have no personal experience of living here, and how we have accommodated the previous developments. We try to be courteous to our neighbours and other road users. Often this results in us sharing one another's drives to alleviate the difficulties of passing on the road at the Westgate Mews end of the cul-de-sac. The photo below was taken on Sunday 6th September at 4pm.



- Having been a resident of this cul-de-sac for 35 years and seen many changes due to the infilling of gardens with houses, the photo and comments to justify Macra's appeal misrepresent the traffic and nature of this cul-de-sac.
- When Westgate Mews was built the residents of Kenilworth Gardens experienced what it's like to live next door to a building site in a cramped situation. The experience wasn't very pleasant and it was distressing watching the destruction of the orchard and habitat the for local wildlife.
- The narrowed walled entrance to Westgate Mews, when planning permission was granted, was supposed to have protected the residents of K.G. from further development of the once biodiverse orchard garden. We have experienced large lorries delivering goods for a business that was run from one of the properties in Westgate Mews. It is very unnerving to watch these, and previous construction vehicles from the Westgate Mews development mounting the pavements to enable them to turn, especially when cars are parked in the turning circle outside our house.

My submission endorses E.B.C.'s Refusal of Planning Permission by Macra and the owners of 5, Westgate Mews for the development of this garden which in time may act as a small green buffer between us and the proposed large development on the Utilita Bowl site. I petition the Secretary of State to reject E. Bizzey c/o Macra Ltd.'s appeal against Eastleigh Borough Council's decision. This is not 'a brownfield site within the urban edge of Eastleigh'

(p.65). Kenilworth Gardens is a residential cul-de-sac in the village of West End; 5, Westgate Mews resides at the end of this cul-de-sac. Unfortunately, a neighbour's efforts to protect the remaining trees with TPOs has been has now come to no avail. We have seen trees being taken down in preparation for this application.

As custodians of the land, we have the responsibility to care of it: be it a garden, a community garden, a park, a woodland, such as Telegraph Woods in the near vicinity, or the trees in the garden of 5, Westgate Mews. Putting this garden under concrete, for profit, in Kenilworth Gardens is not the answer to meeting the housing needs in the country.

JUDITH TYLER

