



31st March 2015

The Clerk of the Local Review Body The Moray Council Legal and Democratic Services High Street ELGIN. IV30 1BX

**Dear Sirs** 

Re. 14/02088/APP - Replace store and yard with house & garage, Damhead, Rafford Application by: Mrs F. Spillings

I have been following with interest the above Planning Application, and originally had noted my 'support' (without comment) for same. I am glad Mrs. Spillings has decided to appeal against the refusal decision. I again wish to confirm our household's <u>full support</u> for the above Planning Application. In more detail, I wish to raise the following points;

Having lived at the end of the Damhead Road since 2005, I use the road umpteen times a day, and have never encountered a problem with the amount of traffic on it. The objections raised about increased traffic I find quite bazaar, as obviously Mrs Spillings' Family are currently entitled to (and do) visit her property/land as often as they like, therefore granting permission will not increase traffic significantly at all.

A previous point was raised by one of our neighbours about lack of water pressure – I would like to add to that, we are **last** in the line for the water supply and have never had any problems with pressure.

Disruption to neighbours is bound to be minimal considering all utilities are already in place. As far as I am aware the storage building/yard already has both an electricity and water supply. This building was built prior to any of the other new builds on the Damhead Road, so supply to it cannot be detrimental to other households.

Mrs Spillings' building and associated land is one of the few properties on the Damhead Road that can accommodate traffic involved with building works. There is more than sufficient room to deliver via artic lorries and accommodate turning them there. I cannot see how any building works going on in there will affect any neighbour. It's barely visible to most of the residents, and worth noting that in fact her very closest neighbour has not objected to the Application!

The junction onto the main Rafford Road has been improved significantly in the last few weeks - Poor visibility is not an issue anymore, and I see from photos you have already received, it is clearly able to accommodate two cars, although I have to say in all the times I used the junction previously, I have never encountered a significant problem there.

The Damhead Road copes with all sorts of vehicles/traffic, tractors, refuse lorries, oil tankers, combine harvesters, diggers, artic lorries, various delivery vehicles, horses, joggers & dog walkers! I have even had a 'STGO' Cat 1 Low Loader appear (as a result of a wrong turn) at my house — he managed to get out ok.

Finally, I do feel that two of the neighbours who previously objected, are in fact serial objectors, objecting really, for no other reason than the fact they have built their house here, and now they don't want anyone else doing so.

The plans I have seen for the proposed new house would be a **welcome addition** to the land in question, and would be a vast improvement to the landscape.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss any of the points raised.

Yours faithfully

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