

APPLICATION NO: 20/02249/FUL		OFFICER: Mr Daniel O Neill
DATE REGISTERED: 17th December 2020		DATE OF EXPIRY : 11th February 2021
WARD: St Peters		PARISH:
APPLICANT:	Mr Chris Adey	
LOCATION:	Adey Ltd, Gloucester Road, Cheltenham	
PROPOSAL:	Insertion of windows into the building	

### REPRESENTATIONS

Number of contributors	13
Number of objections	13
Number of representations	0
Number of supporting	0

13 Brickfield Drive  
Cheltenham  
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GL51 8PN

**Comments:** 8th January 2021

I object this. It is residential area and need privacy.

22 Cobblestone Way  
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Gloucestershire  
GL51 8PW

**Comments:** 28th January 2021

Myself and family wish to object in the strongest possible terms to this planning application for more windows at the ADEY site on Gloucester road. As has been noted by a number of fellow residents, the site is seemingly operating, at best, JUST within and possibly beyond its current allowed grade. Impromptu smoking shelters, near constant air conditioning whine and noise pollution of small scale industrial undertakings, are already causing residential upheaval at best, and in worst case misery.

As a property that will be completely overlooked by this proposed window insertion (for what reasons I would like to understand better), what action has been taken to mitigate the effects on residents?

In our property, the use of the garden is paramount. This application would not only cause significant noise pollution, potentially cause health implications as I can see no plan on how airborne materials would be stopped from entering residents properties. Speaking as a frontline NHS health care worker and registered health care professional, what risk assessments have been taken in regards to potential respiratory implications for people at risk of airborne contaminants? The number of windows and other proposed works will cause significant structural change to the building resulting in waste materials

of various sizes, the likelihood of airborne contaminants at a time when the world faces a respiratory pandemic could not be more ill timed.

Furthermore, the absolutely unequivocal assault on residents privacy is wholly unacceptable. In our specific case, our children are home schooled in a converted classroom container in our garden. If the impact of the noise and general works can be subdued, the ongoing legacy of severe constant invasion of privacy into our kitchen and eating area along with the only outside space we have to exercise safely (again in the context of a lockdown we have no other choice) is going to detrimentally impact both our children's wellbeing and right to a safe and protected upbringing, along with mine and my wife's own mental health needs.

In spite of the proposed changes to not add any windows on the first floor, we would still have our privacy compromised by the lower windows as they would still be perfectly visible from our bedrooms. There has also been no consideration, consultation or explanation given to how the building works will impact on our lives from a health and safety perspective. The site is literally up against our gardens on Cobblestone Way, the very real risk of injury either from falling debris etc, or respiratory related effects such as fine dust/particulate particles has not been addressed!

We can see no reasonable reason why our homes should be subjected to this application, the north west facing aspects of the building all face directly into residents homes. Our bedrooms would need to be constantly shielded, depriving them of natural light, potentially fresh air for however long this takes and a completely unreasonable adjustment to our (already extremely stressful) daily routines.

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Gloucester Road  
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**Comments:** 28th January 2021

I am concerned that my original objection to this application does not appear on the list of objections made.

I have reviewed the amended drawings and agree with the other objections posted in that while it is to be welcomed that some of the proposed new windows have been removed there are still many more that remain. These will impact the privacy of residents in the Crescent.

The implied increased usage of the facility will also increase the noise from the site again disturbing the neighbours.

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**Comments:** 7th January 2021

As a neighbour of the Adey Facility I strongly object to this planning permission.

The context of this objection is fact that this business only has planning permission for office use, yet it has become clear over the last year, its use is falling outside of the boundaries of this usage.

Several industrial skips and 50+ storage crates are in constant use within the back yard area, serviced by forklift vehicles and causing an increased noise levels throughout the day. As such planning permission compliance for existing usage should be challenged as part of this application.

Residents of the Crescent already suffer noise pollution day and night due to the Air Conditioning units, which provide a constant noise through the late evening. Additionally the erection of a smoking shelter facing the Crescent (without planning permission and not shown in the plans submitted), results in groups of staff congregating below my apartments windows, looking directly into my bedroom. This location was totally unnecessary and could have been located elsewhere on the site with no impact to its use or residents, but Adey has shown no effort to consider or work with local residents.

Moving on to this specific planning permission, the proposed windows would look directly into the windows of my apartments bedrooms, one of which is a full 7ft x 7ft patio style sliding window with Juliet balcony. It would result in restricted use of one bedroom or require window coverings to be fully closed throughout the day and I do not consider this to be a reasonable expectation. Photos supporting this objection are available.

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The proposed plans will have a negative effect on the amenity of the local area by reducing the privacy of the residents and by having an overbearing effect.

The Crescent is designed in such a way as to have very limited sightlines to neighbouring residential properties and the Adey building. In its current form, the proposed plans will remove this level of privacy from the residents of the crescent, which is a significant alteration to the existing character of the area. This would impact on the quality of life for the residents who would be now overlooked.

From the submitted documentation I can find no reference to whether an assessment of the window-to-window distances has been undertaken to see if this complies with current best practice.

The number and position of the windows will significantly alter the development and will have an overbearing effect on the surrounding area. Currently the sides and rear of the building have limited windows. Residents and pedestrians on the Honeybourne Line are not overlooked. The proposed change will have a significant effect on the scale of the

building, one of which will be to increase the presence of the building which could lead to people feeling intruded upon when they had not previously been.

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**Comments:** 6th January 2021

I object to the proposal by Adey Ltd to install windows on the south-east elevation of their existing building as it would adversely affect the privacy of our bedroom windows into which they would face.

We already suffer noise pollution from this neighbour due to large heat exchangers / air conditioning units running continuously day and night. And if the capacity of this building is to be augmented, I should imagine the the heating / cooling needs will increase correspondingly.

The ADEY building is approved for office use -class E but we notice a gradual increase of light industrial use, witness the many waste bins which have recently started populating the site.

**Comments:** 12th January 2021

Email available to view in Documents tab.

**Comments:** 27th January 2021

The SE elevation of the amended plan - that is facing The Crescent is unchanged and therefore our concerns regarding privacy remain. I see no reference to the fitting of frosted windows which would make this proposal more acceptable.

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**Comments:** 3rd January 2021

The insertion of windows into the existing North West elevation will impact immensely on the PRIVACY of the new build estate adjacent to the Adey building. The windows will look directly into the gardens and patio doors into the lower living areas, and upper windows will look directly into the first floor bedrooms of the houses!

Visually the building is vast and already impacts on the visual aspect of these new build houses, inserting many windows is only going to make this visual impact even worse.

Established screening in the form of mature trees should be installed as a condition to the application before any changes to the unit are even considered. If any new windows are installed they should be obscure glass.

The existing drawing on the planned North West elevation is actually incorrect as there are already 2 windows present here currently.

**Comments:** 26th January 2021

The revised plan is an improvement, however even the downstairs windows can still look upwards into the first floor bedrooms of the properties. Therefore, I still maintain any windows inserted should be required to be in frosted glass and with mature trees planted to maintain the privacy of the homes next door.

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**Comments:** 7th January 2021

I object the installation of windows at Adey ltd, Gloucester road. These new windows would face into my garden, my living room and a bedroom and would directly affect my family's PRIVACY.

This building already have a very negative visual impact on the new estate my family live in. The building is massive and there is no tree or any type of vegetation surrounding it. Adding many windows would increase this negative impact.

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**Comments:** 2nd January 2021

I wanted to raise my objection to the installation of windows at Adey Ltd, Gloucester Road due to the close proximity to my home. I would have a lack of privacy in my garden as they would have a complete view of my garden as the windows would be placed above the height of our fence

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**Comments:** 10th January 2021

I strongly object the installation of these windows as they would overlook into our garden and would be directly opposite my bedrooms! I feel uncomfortable knowing mine and my family's privacy would be invaded.

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**Comments:** 8th January 2021

I strongly object to these works being carried out as it will mean an invasion of our privacy and may also increase other factors such as noise. This building is currently situated right next to our back garden and is already an eyesore even without the proposed addition of windows all the way along

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**Comments:** 29th January 2021

My family and I strongly object the insertion of windows at Adey Ltd as they will overlook into our garden and kitchen/dining area on the ground floor and into our two bedrooms on the first floor which will have a huge impact on our privacy. This is a residential area, it needs privacy and the insertion of windows will only cause nuisance not just from a privacy point of view but also the excess noise, high level of pollution. The windows will face all of our back gardens where quiet, privacy and safe pollution level come at a premium. The addition/plantation of trees and greenery is a must!

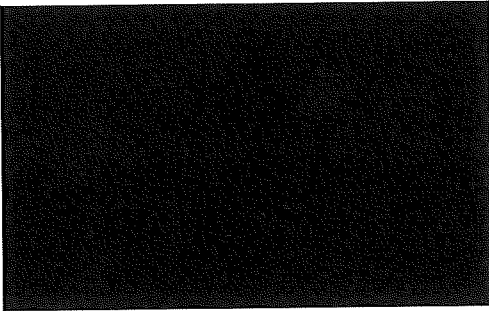




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**From:** Internet - Built Environment  
**Sent:** 12 January 2021 16:51  
**To:** Internet - Planning Comments  
**Subject:** FW: Planning Application - 20/02249/FUL - Insertion of windows into the building - Adey Ltd



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2021 16:48  
**To:** Internet - Built Environment  
**Subject:** Planning Application - 20/02249/FUL - Insertion of windows into the building - Adey Ltd

To Cheltenham Borough Council Planning Department,

With regard to the application by Adey Ltd for the insertion of windows in their existing building, I wish to register my strong objection. The many windows proposed face closely those of my two bedrooms, one of which is floor to ceiling, this would present a gross intrusion into my privacy.

We are already disturbed by the continuous running of air conditioning units night and day which are located on the south east wall of the Adey building and not shown on the plan. It is reasonable to assume that increasing the capacity of the building will entail upgrading the air conditioning/heating requirement to our further detriment.

This building is approved for office use only but we have noticed a gradual creep toward light industrial, with a great many bins and skips appearing in their yard with the associated noise of heavy vehicles etc. I enclose pictures to demonstrate some of my points.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

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