

Email from Environmental Health About  
Sherwood House, Burnley Road, Cornholme, OL14 7ET

Email to Environmental Health Officer – 8 June  
Hi ,

Thank you for visiting the site and for your email.

I've copied your response to one of the members for Cornholme. He lives in the terrace across the road from Sherwood House and is in a good position to see what is going on there on a daily basis.

Please see his response below. In particular, he believes that a huge amount of material on the site is not related to the renovation. He has also commented that two of the trailer caravans on the site are in a poor state and full of rubbish. There is also the body of an old wagon situated close to the gable end of 970 Burnley Rd, which is potentially devaluing their property.

A further issue is that of the demolition of the old garage building on the site where no planning permission sought, no asbestos survey done, no bat survey done even though there is a colony of bats in this area. The owner has clearly flouted planning permission and does whatever they want making the site deeply unpleasant for the neighbours nearby.

I should be grateful for any further comments you can make or any actions that could be done to make the environment more 'normal' for the neighbours. It is such a shame that someone can buy a property and create such a mess, reducing the quality of life for the neighbours and that there is nothing that can be done.

Kind regards,  
Susan

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**Subject:** RE: 22 04163 Station House, Burnley Road, Portsmouth -Email 1

Hi Susan,

I've had some time to think this one over.

Thanks for forwarding me Joy's email.

Unfortunately, Joy's email doesn't cover all the items that have been raised and falls well short of the mark.

Items on site, There are a lot of items that are clearly not related to the renovation of the house that look like they've been just dumped there.

Trailer caravans, there are three on site, one being used to live in by the site owner, but the other two are in a sorry state and full of junk.

Old waggon body, situated close to the gable end of 970 Burnley Road.

Removal of pedestrian access between the two sites, (Station garage and 970 Burnley Rd)

The removal of the pedestrian access between the two sites, location of the old waggon body has devalued 970 Burnley Rd.

In terms of demolition of the old garage building, n permissions sought, no asbestos survey done ad bat survey done, yes, we do have a colony of bats in this area.

Lots of outstanding issues and the local residents expect more from Calderdale.

Once again, many thanks.

Ken

Dear Susan

The reference for your enquiry is 22/04163/GDOCD and the correct address is Sherwood House, Burnley Road, Todmorden OL14 7ET.

I have visited the site and spoken to the owner/occupier regarding what she is doing at the site. I have no evidence that it is a waste transfer station or scrap yard.

I can confirm that the owner is completely renovating the house and land including building an extension to make the home accessible to a wheelchair user. The reason there is so much building material on site is that the job is being completed with recycled materials where possible. I have advised that no more are obtained at this point.

The timescale for completion is October 2022 for the house and March 2023 for the garden.

Regarding rats, the material on site is mainly inert (bricks/tyres/paving /timber etc). This does not meet the legal criteria for a pest control notice as we would be looking for foodstuff and bedding material that rats might use.

I understand that the site was previously a house and mechanics workshop and prior to that also a petrol station. It may be that a degree of commercial activity is permissible on the site in any case although of course that would be for Planning to enforce.

At the present time I do not see any grounds for enforcement. The owner said they would try and fence the site so it was not as visible.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you receive any more evidence or concerns.

Kind Regards,

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Environmental Health Officer

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