

Written Statement with regard to Matter 4/Castle Gate from Mr Dave Smith/ID number - 3829

My wife and I are the owners and residents of property in Castle Gate, Nottingham and the rear of our property immediately backs onto the college which we understand is to be demolished.

We have serious concerns in relation to a number of issues and would like the following matters to be taken into account and assurances given:

1. Castle Gate was redeveloped (the section between Maid Marian Way and the Castle around 3 years ago and the houses which were formerly a derelict costume museum are now fully occupied by private householders. All developments in the area including the college and castle projects should bear in mind and protect our amenities.

2. We have concerns regarding noise and dirt and dust made by contractors working on the projects which could seriously impact our property enjoyment. We are also concerned with disturbances and noise pollution which may be ongoing as a result of any redevelopment.

3. We have very tight access space to the parking spaces we own at the rear of our properties (accessed via Castle Road not Castle Gate) and we must have 24 hour unimpeded access to our parking spaces. All residents in Castle Gate need 24 hour access and we look to you for assurances that this will never be interfered with please.

4. Once the college is demolished it would greatly assist the residents of Castle Gate to have a larger accessway than currently exists, even if this is only by a few metres. In other words our accessway which is currently very tight would benefit if whatever building replaces the college does not get built to the very edge of the boundary (as is the current situation). A few extra metres of accessway (effectively making the accessway drive a little wider would be greatly appreciated). It might be difficult to visualise what I am referring to but a 5 minute site visit will clarify. All you have to do is go to the end of Castle Road near Severns House and look down the rear accessway drive behind the college.

5. We understand there will be a land train to run along Castle Road when the Castle renovation is completed. Naturally it is essential that the construction of any turning circle etc must not interfere with our accessway to our rear parking spaces.

May I please ask that these considerations are given full weight and that in the meantime you acknowledge receipt of this email?

If there is a better person for these matters to go before could you forward them accordingly and advise me.

I am sure other residents of Castle Gate will make their own representations also.

Thank you

Dave and Claire Smith