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Mr G Everest  
Planning Department  
Brighton & Hove City Council  
Hove Town Hall  
Hove BN3 3BQ

Dear Mr Everest,

**Planning Application BH2010/01966 – Mitre House**

Following a Management Committee meeting of the Clifton Montpelier Community Alliance (CMPCA) on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August, I am writing to comment on the above planning application.

It is not the general policy of the CMPCA to take a position on planning applications as we are a community association, rather than a conservation society. Nevertheless we are keen to offer support to members when the view within the area immediately affected by a planning proposal is known.

In this connection we heard a report from our street representative in Spring Street that the residents of both Spring Street and Hampton Street feel strongly that the proposed change of use of the rear of Mitre House is unsuitable for the area, and would alter its nature away from residential and daytime use, and towards a 24 hour commercial environment. The principal grounds of concern are serious increases in noise, disturbance and problems with traffic.

The CMPCA Management Committee therefore wishes to draw the council's attention to the strength of feeling amongst the residents in the area against the change of use, and urges it to take this into account when deciding the outcome of the application.

Yours sincerely

Dr John Riddington  
Chair, CMPCA