

## Barnett, Jessica: PC-Plan

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**From:** Catja Ko  
**Sent:** 26 March 2014 15:32  
**To:** Planning Policy  
**Subject:** Basements

Dear Sir or Madam

I am extremely concerned by the increasing number of basement developments in my area as well as the size of the developments. These developments due to their scale and duration have severely impacted on our quality of life through constant noise, vibration, dust, random road closures and long-term parking suspensions.

I strongly support the Council's proposals to change their policy toward basements in order to:

- to reduce the scale of basements by limiting them to one storey and no more than 50% of the garden, except for listed buildings where there is already a restriction about building under them;
  
- to be more explicit about the need to:
  - ensure proper drainage through soakaways,
  - retain trees
  - ensure that buildings are adapted to a higher level of performance in respect to energy, waste and water consumption,
  - ensure better control of the traffic and parking problems due to the demolition, excavation and construction process
  - ensure better control over noise, vibration and dust
  - ensure structural stability

I would like to have my support recorded in favour of the proposed changes.

Regards  
Catja Ko

Sent from my iPhone