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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Firstly, we are sorry that purchasing the land on Lodge Lane has caused so much upset; this was never our intention.

We purchased the land back in October 2023. The land was for sale, and anyone could have bought it. We erected the fence soon after; we never even considered that we might need planning permission to put a fence around what was now our land, and for this reason, we apologise for our ignorance.

After reading some of the comments on the application I would just like to say that the fence we have erected is no higher than the neighbouring properties and is in keeping of the surrounding area, the barn which as recently been built on the farmers land just behind as been built in the same materials and can be seen over the fence.

The fence we chose is made of Yorkshire boarding. We chose this as it is used on agricultural buildings and is in keeping with the area. It is also a fence you can see through. It also allows light and wind through, but still offers a degree of privacy.

We have not placed the fence up to the boundaries of the land so that the passing point on lodge lane could stay and provide a safe place for vehicles, cyclist, and pedestrians.

The social event mentioned was on the 5.11.24 and only took place as someone had kindly left there fence panels and posts behind ours, we burnt the rubbish in a burning bin as a way and means of getting rid of the rubbish and to try and keep the area looking tidy, they were only a dozen people there which four of them was resident's, their cars were also parked near by and was not covered in soot or fireworks and we was not the only resident letting fireworks off that evening.

Due to the respect and consideration we have for our neighbours, the event started at six and we were gone by nine.

In the ten years of living on Lodge Lane, someone has always let fireworks off on the lane, including November 23, after we had purchased the land (this is just one of the reasons we need the fence).

We do not intend to build any permanent structures or have social events on the land, we are keeping the land maintained and tidy, which is more than it was before.

We bought the land to store our caravan and car on and to grow some vegetables. To keep our property safe, we need the fence.

Some of the resident's obviously think the land is council land but this is not the case, the council has never maintained the land or removed any of the rubbish which as been tipped there, (and someone is still tipping their grass cuttings behind the fence) the farmer kindly used

to cut the grass and removed the rubbish. (No one from Elm Tree close ever cut the grass or maintained the area) To stop people from fly-tipping on the land, we need the fence.

We bought the land and erected the fence, thinking we were doing a good thing and tidying up the area. The land has never been council-owned, the land has always been private property and has never been for elm tree close private use. The land could be sold to someone who does not live in the area and would have zero respect or consideration for our neighbours. We do live close and want the land to be maintained and kept tidy.

Once again, we are sorry for any upset caused by us purchasing the land.

Kind regards