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Mr Peter Green



My family has lived in Rochelle, Upton Lane since around 1978. Across the road from my parents house on the SEB site, a transport company opened up in a single corrugated tin building, where they had permission apparently for storage purposes only. Suddenly, there were 40ft artic lorries parked with their near side wheels on the pavement and mechanical works were being carried out on them, which caused horrendous noise, especially when the doors were open on the unit exactly opposite the cottages. On countless occasions my father approached to ask them to please keep the noise down. To cut this horrendous story short, it ended up going to Court, the person responsible for the business could not attend and the case collapsed. Having restored the cottages and looking forward to living the rest of his life in peace and tranquillity, he actually had several years of mental torture and ended up taking his own life in 1986. I would hate for this to happen again. This is far from an industrial area.

Somewhere in our archives, I have a dossier of everything that went wrong. Photographs and recordings, which I am going to try and find. Since the lorries have not been coming down the lane, the cottage has stopped shaking and no further cracks have appeared. Please feel free to come and inspect existing cracks caused by the lorries.

I also have a concern about flooding. The field on the left as you turn in to Upton Lane absorbs normal rainfall, however, after heavy downpours, any excess water it cannot absorb, runs down the lane causing fast water flows and flooding. Where will all this water go if the field is no longer there?

Sometimes at certain hours of the day it is nearly impossible to get out of Upton Lane due to heavy traffic. It is a narrow lane, with a 60mph speed limit, which is absolutely ludicrous and will likely end up being used as a rat run.