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Dear Ms Morina,

**DM/18/03637/FPA | Demolition and rebuilding of existing garden wall in brickwork including vehicular access gates and alterations to rear garden area to allow off-street parking
30 Nevilledale Terrace Durham DH1 4QG**

The City of Durham Parish Council discussed this application at their meeting on the 14th of December and wish to proffer the following comments. We are delighted that the wall is finally to be demolished and rebuilt as the rendering was not at all in keeping with the Durham City Conservation Area. We were particularly pleased that the coping stones are to be kept as they are very much a feature of this area. However, we are anxious that the rendering be removed from the outhouse too and note that there is no mention of this in the application. We are also surprised that no comments have been invited from the Design and Conservation Officer regarding the type of brick and height of the wall. Other walls in this part of the Conservation Area have bricks of varying shades and we urge you to condition that these be used here, rather than identical modern bricks.

As to the new wooden gate this will open out onto a bend with no visibility to either side and manoeuvring may be a problem, though we note that Highways Development Management have offered no comment. Could we also point out that there is no historical precedent for a gate being built into this wall. Also, if permission is granted, we would wish to see an alternative site agreed for salt bin, DU261, before work begins.

Finally, as the roadway here is very narrow and gives access to Brierville and Beechcrest, it is important that access is maintained at all times and not be obstructed by construction vehicles or materials. Please add a condition to this effect.

Yours sincerely

ROGER CORNWELL

Chair, Planning Committee, City of Durham Parish Council