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Excavation of a basement under rear courtyard and construction of a full depth single storey extension to rear at ground floor level, incorporating an internal courtyard.

The application proposals appear to be reasonably well considered and likely to provide a more spacious and useable 'home'. But we are concerned about the light level in the new basement bedroom / family room, as to whether it would be sufficient. From a neighbour's consideration the issue of ground removal as well as the plant required during the construction process are matters of potential disturbance / nuisance.

However the report states "an intrusive site investigation has not yet been undertaken for the development". It is the nature of such a proposal that site conditions, adjoining properties and their structures as well as the ground conditions must be completely assessed, and be satisfied that no detrimental effects would occur during and after such constructional changes.

The Society is not in a position to comment further and does not have the competence regarding structural matters. Clearly the approval or otherwise would need to be satisfied on the above matters including party-wall agreements, hours of working and removal of spoil etc.

For and on behalf of The Thorney Island Society

Tom Ball 26.9.13

