

Submission

My name is Russell Brodie.

I have over 40 years in the NZ Horticulture Industry working in different Horticulture Crops. Mostly in the NZ Pipfruit Industry for 20 years working in Gisborne/Nelson and Hawkes Bay.

I have 3 year R.N.Z.H.I. Pipfruit/Stonefruit Fruit Production Cadetship Qualification. I also come from a family of Pipfruit Orchardists.

With my Horticultural Expertise, I am really concerned about the possibility of apartments at three stories high near Glenside Historical House being built along the Twiglands fence line, due to the fact it will reduce light into the garden resulting in affecting photosynthesis on the gardens and fruit trees.

It will also reduce the natural airflow of South-westerly and North-westerly winds into the gardens and fruit trees, thus affecting drying conditions.

This is going to result in increased fungi infections of Blackspot/Powdery Mildew/Downey Mildew/ Brown Rot/ Sooty Mould/ Bacterial Spot/Botrytis etc therefore leading to really an unhealthy growing condition in the gardens for the roses and fruit trees etc.

Please consider the points and facts as evidence for this submission.

Regards

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Horticulturalist.