SECTION '2' – Applications meriting special consideration

Application No: 13/00447/FULL6 Ward:

Petts Wood And Knoll

Address: 45 Petts Wood Road Petts Wood

Orpington BR5 1JU

OS Grid Ref: E: 545259 N: 167801

Applicant: Ms E Jordan Objections: YES

Description of Development:

Single storey side and rear extension (works to include conversion of garage to habitable room)

Key designations:

Area of Special Residential Character Biggin Hill Safeguarding Birds Biggin Hill Safeguarding Area London City Airport Safeguarding Local Distributor Roads Open Space Deficiency

Proposal

The proposal relates to a single storey side and rear extension (works to include conversion of garage to habitable room).

Location

The site relates to a two storey semi-detached property located on the south side of Petts Wood Road. Properties of similar size and design characterise the area.

Comments from Local Residents

Nearby owners/occupiers were notified of the application and representations were received which can be summarised as follows:

- the proposed extension would harm the outlook from the rear patio windows of No.43
- the proposed reduction in depth by 400m has virtually no impact on this objection.
- side door facing No.47 should be frosted
- party wall and structural stability concerns.

Planning Considerations

The application falls to be determined in accordance with the following policies of the Unitary Development Plan and the London Plan:

BE1 Design of New Development

H8 Residential Extensions

A single storey front and side extension was granted permission in 1996 under ref. 96/02143 and subsequently built.

Last year a single storey side and rear extension (works to include conversion of garage to habitable room) was refused under ref. 12/03897 for the following reason:

The proposed extension would, by reason of its excessive rearward projection, have a seriously detrimental effect on the daylighting to the adjoining house No. 43 and the prospect which the occupants of that dwelling might reasonably expect to be able to continue to enjoy, contrary to Policies BE1 and H8 of the Unitary Development Plan.

Conclusions

The main issues relating to the application are the effect that it would have on the character of the area and the impact that it would have on the amenities of the occupants of surrounding residential properties.

The application site was visited by the case officer and the aims and objectives of the above policies, national and regional planning guidance, all other material planning considerations including any objections, other representations and relevant planning history on the site were taken into account in the assessment of the proposal.

The proposed extension would extend to the side and rear in a wraparound fashion. It would be set in 1.1m from the west side elevation facing No.47. This property is set slightly back from No.45 and therefore the additional depth presented to this side is not considered too great.

To the east side the reduced depth at 3.6m from 4m does result in a better relationship to the adjoining property No.43. However the reduction of 400mm is not considered enough to overcome the previous reason for refusal; it still fails to protect the amenity of No.43 with regards to light and particularly outlook from the habitable patio lounge window. It is therefore considered to bring undue harm to the amenity of this property by virtue of its position against the boundary and rearward projection.

The conversion of the garage to habitable accommodation is acceptable and would involve not alliterations to the frontage.

Having had regard to the above it was considered that the development in the manner proposed is not acceptable in that it would result in a loss of amenity to local residents.

as amended by documents received on 14.02.2013

RECOMMENDATION: PERMISSION BE REFUSED

The reasons for refusal are:

The proposed extension would, by reason of its excessive rearward projection, have a seriously detrimental effect on the daylighting to the adjoining house No.43 and the prospect which the occupants of that dwelling might reasonably expect to be able to continue to enjoy, contrary to Policies BE1 and H8 of the Unitary Development Plan.

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