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From: Karen Almond [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 August 2021 19:24
To: Neil Crowther <Neil.Crowther@arun.gov.uk>
Cc: Cllr. Jacky Pendleton [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Planning app number CM/17/21/PL Wren Cottage Climping.

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Mr Crowther

It has taken you 10 days to answer my email to you. Yet you still have not provided me with the rear to rear measurements provided by the developer on the resubmitted plans.

Maybe I am missing something here which I doubt very much.

You attended a meeting at 5 Wooldridge Walk with the residents of 4 to 7 Wooldridge Walk plus other concerned local residents on the 25th June. You confirmed that none of the proposed new dwellings plots 1 to 4 were 12m from the rear to the boundary with 4 to 7 Wooldridge Walk and that the current application would be rejected.

During the discussions it was suggested by the residents of Wooldridge Walk, that it would be great if no new builds were granted, but we would be happy if one storey bungalows were built, as this would be in keeping with the surrounding neighbourhood and most importantly the privacy of 4 to 7 Wooldridge Walk would be guaranteed. You said that you understood where we were coming from and that one storey bungalows seemed fair. After you had left we all chatted and said that we were happy, and that the meeting had been a success.

So when we saw the new proposals submitted by the developer it came as a shock. Plot 1 remained a large 3 bedroom house with 2 large windows invading the privacy of 4 Wooldridge Walk. Plot 2 to 4 had at least been reduced to 1 and a half storey dwellings with no windows overlooking 5 to 7 Wooldridge Walk.

What happened to the one storey bungalows. Your message to Kerry Simmons (see attached) during the afternoon of the 25th June just a few hours after leaving the meeting at 5 Wooldridge Walk, states that all plots 1 to 4 do not meet the required distance rear to rear or rear to boundary. The guidelines are that a 2 storey to 2 storey must be at least 21m rear to rear. Which plot 1 to 4 Wooldridge Walk and plot 3 to 6 Wooldridge exceed by 1m. Surely if it is 2 storey to 1 storey the distance should be at least 25m.

Plot 1 is never mentioned again in all of your later messages with the developer. You advise Kerry Simmons to change plots 2 to 4 to 1 and half storey with no windows facing west overlooking 5 to 7 Wooldridge Walk. What happened to plot 1 overlooking 4 Wooldridge Walk. Why wasn't plot one reduced to a 1 and a half storey dwelling with no back windows overlooking 4 Wooldridge Walk. Especially as you have confirmed in writing that the rear to rear of plot 1 to 4 Wooldridge Walk and plot 3 to 6 Wooldridge Walk are exactly the same 22m.

All I ask is to be treated equally and fairly as numbers 5 to 7 Wooldridge Walk.

Karen

On Fri, 30 Jul 2021, 13:40 Neil Crowther, <Neil.Crowther@arun.gov.uk> wrote:

Mrs Almond,

May I just clarify because you seem to be misunderstanding what has been produced? I have provided advice to the applicant on how I believe they should have amended the proposals if they are likely to end up with a recommendation of approval. I have shared that advice and explained it to you (though I accept that you do not agree). The plans they have submitted have not been accepted. Indeed, I have not even looked at them properly yet as I wanted to get the public consultation out of the way first. They are the applicants proposals and have not been accepted by the Council at this time.

My email dated 16 July explains why no changes were sought to plot 1 in terms of the size/scale of the unit. As I stated, we have requested that the dwelling is sited a minimum of 12m from the boundary to accord with our Design Guide.

I intend to look at the plans next week to decide if the amended proposals have addressed the stated concerns. If they have not, then a refusal of planning permission will follow shortly afterwards.

Regards, Neil

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Mr Crowther

I have studied all of the documents for July entered against the planning application.

It still does not make sense to me. You say that plot 1 has not been forgotten but it has. Viewing 11 pages of correspondence (over a number of weeks) on the 19th July (planning correspondence) between the council planning department and developer, plot 1 is only mentioned once and yes it has been forgotten.

On the 15th July (substitute plan - site plan 504 02). Plot 1 and 3 are exactly the same distance apart from 4 and 6 Wooldridge Walk. So why have there been major alterations to plot 3 and not plot 1.

I need these answered before the 6th August closing date for yes/no letters, so that I can construct my opposition letter accordingly.

Many thanks

Karen Almond.

On Fri, 16 Jul 2021, 10:45 Karen Almond, [REDACTED] wrote:

Hello Neil

I apologise for me keep messaging you but it is very urgent that I speak to you today before your [REDACTED] break.

I have read the letter of recommendation sent by you to the developer after your visit to the site and your meeting with all of the residents including me of numbers 4 -7 Wooldridge Walk and am dumbfounded.

You acknowledge that the proposed planning application as it stands is not acceptable and that all 4 plots would be impeding on the privacy of all 4 bungalows of Wooldridge Walk. Yet you have requested new heavily revised plans from the developer for plot 2 to 4 reducing significantly the height of the dwellings and that there be no windows facing west. There has been no mention of plot 1 which is opposite me at number 4 Wooldridge Walk. I am left with a 3 bedroom house with 2 bedrooms facing west towards me and both have large double windows in them. This is not acceptable or fair to me. The new revised plans submitted by the developer show no alterations whatsoever to plot 1 whereas plots 2-4 have the dwellings height greatly reduced and all the west facing windows are bathroom windows so they will be frosted and therefore not overlooking numbers 5-7 Wooldridge Walk.

Would you kindly explain why my property has been completely ignored and that I am still left with a large 2 storey 3 bedroom house with 2 large bedroom windows facing west directly overlooking my garden and into my 2 bedrooms at the back of my property and invading my privacy it is just not on. Its as though I and my property don't exist and are not important enough.

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Kind regards Karen Almond.

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