

Recommendation Report for Planning Permission for Works or Extension to a Dwelling

REF NO: LU/314/20/HH

LOCATION: 75 Griffin Crescent  
Littlehampton  
BN17 7LH

PROPOSAL: Single storey front extension and extension to existing crossover.

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| <b>SITE AND SURROUNDINGS</b> |
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| DESCRIPTION OF APPLICATION | The proposed application seeks to construct a single storey front extension and an extension to the existing crossover. |
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| <b>REPRESENTATIONS</b> |
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Littlehampton Town Council - No objection.

1 letter of objection from nearby occupier:  
- The increase in size of the crossover will remove a space on the road.

**OFFICERS COMMENTS ON REPRESENTATIONS:**

Comments noted. The majority of the dwellings in the area have on-site parking provision, and there is considered to be enough roadside parking in the area that the extension of the crossover would not result in any significant harm.

**CONSULTATION RESPONSES RECEIVED:**

None.

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| <b>POLICY CONTEXT</b> |
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Designation applicable to site:  
Within built up area boundary

**DEVELOPMENT PLAN POLICIES**

[Arun Local Plan 2011 - 2031:](#)

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| DDM1 | D DM1 Aspects of form and design quality                |
| DDM4 | D DM4 Extensions&alter to exist builds(res and non-res) |
| DSP1 | D SP1 Design                                            |

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| <a href="#">Littlehampton Neighbourhood Plan 2014 Policy 1</a> | The Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development |
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| Littlehampton Neighbourhood Plan 2014 Policy 2 | A Spatial Plan for the Town |
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**PLANNING POLICY GUIDANCE:**

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| NPPDG | National Design Guide |
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## CONCLUSIONS

### PRINCIPLE

In this case, the key policies are deemed to be D DM1 and D DM4 of the Arun Local Plan. Additionally, Policies 1 and 2 of the Littlehampton Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Policy D DM1 sets out 13 design aspects of which applications should be assessed against. These include: Character, Appearance, Impact, Innovation, Adaptability, Crime Prevention, Trees, Public realm, Layout, Public Art, Density and Scale.

Policy D DM4 sets out criteria for which applications relating to extensions and alterations of existing buildings must be assessed against. They generally seek to minimise the impact of the proposal on the character of the host dwelling, its neighbours and the locality.

Policy 1 of the Littlehampton Neighbourhood Development Plan states that permission should be granted where applications accord with the relevant policies in the Neighbourhood Plan. It goes on to set out circumstances where an applications conflict with Policy 1 would be acceptable.

Policy 2 of the Littlehampton Neighbourhood Development Plan seeks to focus development within the built up area boundary.

### DESIGN AND VISUAL AMENITY

Due to the siting of the proposed development, the proposed porch will be visible within the street scene of Griffin Crescent. As a result of its design and construction, it is considered to represent a change in appearance to the host dwelling. However, it is not considered that this is reason alone to justify refusal of the application. The proposed porch is considered to appear subservient to the host dwelling, and is sympathetic to its scale and appearance. This is due to both its scale, and the use of materials to match the host dwelling. Furthermore, within the locality there are examples of similar developments, as such, the proposal is not considered to appear as an alien feature within the area.

Within the street scene, there are other examples of properties with vehicle crossovers and as such there will be little impact upon the visual amenity of the locality. It is not considered to have an unacceptable adverse impact upon the character or spatial pattern of the area and accord with D DM1 of the Arun District Plan and Policies 1 and 2 of the Littlehampton Neighbourhood Plan.

The proposed development is considered to be in accordance with D DM1, D DM4(a) and (b) of the Arun Local Plan.

### HIGHWAY SAFETY

The development cannot be considered to create, or exacerbate any existing safety concerns at the site, in that the proposal does not create a vehicle access, merely extends one of which exists at the site at current. Therefore, the proposed development is considered to be in accordance with T SP1 of the Arun Local Plan.

### NEIGHBOURING RESIDENTIAL AMENITY

The proposed development is not considered to result in any harmful overshadowing or overbearing impact upon the occupiers of neighbouring dwellings. This is due to the siting of the proposed extension and its separation distance from neighbouring dwellings. With regard to loss of privacy, the porch is

single storey, and as such it does not provide any views that are unavailable from the application site at current.

The proposed development is considered to be in accordance with D DM1(3) and D DM4(c) of the Arun Local Plan.

## SUMMARY

The proposed development is deemed to accord with relevant development plan policies and as such is recommended for approval subject to the following conditions.

### HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

The Council in making a decision should be aware of and take into account any implications that may arise from the Human Rights Act 1998. Under the Act, it is unlawful for a public authority such as Arun District Council to act in a manner, which is incompatible with the European Convention on Human Rights.

Consideration has been specifically given to Article 8 (right to respect private and family life) and Article 1 of the First Protocol (protection of property). It is not considered that the recommendation for approval of the grant of permission in this case interferes unreasonably with any local residents' right to respect for their private and family life and home, except insofar as it is necessary to protect the rights and freedoms of others (in this case, the rights of the applicant). The Council is also permitted to control the use of property in accordance with the general interest and the recommendation for approval is considered to be a proportionate response to the submitted application based on the considerations set out in this report.

### DUTY UNDER THE EQUALITIES ACT 2010

In assessing this proposal the following impacts have been identified upon those people with the following protected characteristics (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation).

The proposal would have a neutral impact on the protected characteristics.

### RECOMMENDATION

#### APPROVE CONDITIONALLY

- 1 The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of 3 years from the date of this permission.

Reason: To comply with Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

- 2 The development hereby approved shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans:

- Site Plan and Location Plan - 1406/001 - 11/11/2020 - Rev. A
- Proposed New Porch - 1406/003 - 20/11/2020

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of amenity and the environment in accordance with policy D DM1 of the Arun Local Plan.

- 3      **INFORMATIVE:** Statement pursuant to Article 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)(England) Order 2015. The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by assessing the proposal against all material considerations, including planning policies and any representations that may have been received and subsequently determining to grant planning permission in accordance with the presumption in favour of sustainable development, as set out within the National Planning Policy Framework.