

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

REF NO: M/11/18/HH

LOCATION: 19 East Close
Middleton on Sea
PO22 7RS

PROPOSAL: Single storey rear extension

SITE AND SURROUNDINGS

DESCRIPTION OF APPLICATION	As above
	The proposed extension would measure approximately 5m wide, 5m deep and 3m high (max). The extension would have crown type roof with a roof light in the flat roof section
	Materials would match the existing property.
SITE AREA	N/A
RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT DENSITY (NET)	N/A
TOPOGRAPHY	Predominantly flat
TREES	None of any significance affected by the proposed development.
BOUNDARY TREATMENT	The front boundary of the site consists of a 2m high hedge with the side boundaries featuring a 2.5m high hedging. To the rear there is mature planting and trees in excess of 2m high along the side and rear boundaries
SITE CHARACTERISTICS	The site is occupied by a detached two storey dwelling with an integrated garage, rendered elevations and a tiled roof. The property has a single storey garage to the front and a conservatory to the rear. The property is set on a large spacious plot
CHARACTER OF LOCALITY	The character of the locality is residential and features detached two storey dwellings of various designs set back from the road with gardens to the front and rear. The application site also falls within an area of special character.

RELEVANT SITE HISTORY

M/43/16/HH	Garage to front elevation & window to North elevation	ApproveConditionally 22-07-16
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M/21/16/HH	Detached garage & conversion of existing garage into study - Resubmission of M/120/15/HH	Withdrawn 20-05-16
M/120/15/HH	Detached garage & conversion of existing garage into study.	Refused 27-01-16
M/159/07/	Proposed side extension & internal alterations.	Return App - not req 07-01-08
M/1/05/	New conservatory and alterations to entrance porch (Resubmission of M/128/04)	ApproveConditionally 11-02-05
M/128/04/	New dormer windows to existing attic room. New conservatory and alterations to entrance porch	Refused 22-12-04

There is a long planning history as detailed but not directly relevant to consideration of the current application

REPRESENTATIONS

REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED:

Middleton Parish Council
Middleton Parish Council has no objection

No response to public consultation

COMMENTS ON REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED:

None

CONSULTATIONS

CONSULTATION RESPONSES RECEIVED:

None

COMMENTS ON CONSULTATION RESPONSES:

None

POLICY CONTEXT

Designation applicable to site:

Built up area

Area of special character

DEVELOPMENT PLAN POLICIES

Arun District Local Plan (2003):

GEN2	Built-up Area Boundary
GEN7	The Form of New Development
DEV19	Extensions to existing residential buildings
AREA1	Areas of Special Character

Publication Version of the Local Plan (October 2014):

D DM1	Aspects of Form and Design Quality
D DM4	Extensions & Alterations to Existing Buildings
D SP1	Design
SD SP2	Built -Up Area Boundary
HER DM4	Areas of Special Character

PLANNING POLICY GUIDANCE:

NPPF	National Planning Policy Framework
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SUPPLEMENTARY POLICY GUIDANCE:

SPD7	Middleton on Sea Village Design Statement
SPD8	Areas of Special Character

POLICY COMMENTARY

The Development Plan consists of the Arun District Local Plan 2003, West Sussex County Council's Waste and Minerals Plans and Made Neighbourhood Development Plans.

A new local plan is in preparation and is a material consideration when determining Planning Applications. At this stage the Arun District Local Plan 2011-2031 (Publication Version) October 2014 and supporting documents were submitted for independent examination on 30 January 2015.

A number of Main Modifications to the Arun District Local Plan 2011-2031 (Publication Version) October 2014 were approved by the Council on 22nd March 2017 and consultation on these has taken place. The Main Modifications should be read alongside the Arun District Local Plan 2011-2031 (Publication Version) October 2014 and where there are changes the Main Modification. The examination was completed in September 2017.

The policies are published under Regulations 19 and 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. The proposed modifications were subject to consultation which ended mid February 2018.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan

Where applicable, Neighbourhood Development Plan's (more commonly known as a neighbourhood plan or NDP), once made by Arun District Council, will form part of the statutory local development plan for the relevant designated neighbourhood area. Whilst an NDP is under preparation it will afford little

weight in the determination of planning applications. Its status will however gain more weight as a material consideration the closer it is towards it being made. Arun District Council will make reference to an NDP when it has, by the close of planning application consultation, been publicised for pre-submission consultation (Reg.14).

Made Plans in Arun District Council's Local Planning Authority Area are: Aldingbourne; Angmering; Arundel; Barnham & Eastergate; Bersted; Bognor Regis; Clymping; East Preston; Felpham; Ferring; Kingston; Littlehampton; Rustington; Walberton; Yapton.

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DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND/OR LEGISLATIVE BACKGROUND

PLANNING

Section 38(6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 states:-

"If regard is to be had to the development plan for the purpose of any determination to be made under the planning Acts the determination must be made in accordance with the plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise."

The proposal is considered to comply with relevant Development Plan policies in that it would have no materially adverse effect on the visual amenities of the locality or the residential amenities of the adjoining properties, nor would it have an adverse impact upon the established character of the surrounding area.

OTHER MATERIAL CONSIDERATIONS

It is considered that there are no other material considerations to warrant a decision otherwise than in accordance with the Development Plan and/or legislative background.

CONCLUSIONS

The application site is situated within the built up area and within established residential area where the principle of development is acceptable subject to compliance with relevant development plan policy.

The proposed extension would be sited to the rear of the property and would not be visible from the road. The proposed extension would cover approximately one third of the rear elevation of the house on the northern side of the property. The proposed extension would be set in 1m from the northern side boundary and 10m from the southern boundary. It is considered that the proposed extension would be subordinate to the main house and retains an adequate amount of rear garden, 22m deep. The proposed materials would match the existing property. Whilst it is noted that the site is within an Area of Special Character the size and design of the proposed extension is considered acceptable and does not compromise the aims of such an area. It is considered that the proposed extension is in keeping with the character and appearance of the host property and is not considered unduly dominant on the property and as such is not considered harmful to character of the wider area.

Due to the proposed size and siting the proposed extension would have no adverse impact upon the adjoining property to the south No.18. The proposed extension is set in 1m from the boundary with No.20. The elevation facing No.20 has two high level windows in the side elevation but given the height

of the extension and also having regard to the existing boundary treatment it is not considered that the proposal will lead to a loss of privacy to the adjoining occupier in No.20. Likewise given the height and depth the proposal does not impinge on a 45 degree line from the nearest window of the adjoining property and is not considered to be unduly dominant upon or lead to a loss of outlook to the occupiers of No.20.

There are no parking implications arising from the proposed development.

In summary, the proposed development is not considered to be visually obtrusive or prominent and would not have an adverse impact on the character and appearance of the host property and the amenity of adjoining occupiers at No.18 and No.20. The proposed development would therefore comply with planning policies in the Arun Local Plan 2003 and the Middleton Village Design Statement.

Therefore, the application is recommended for approval subject to the following conditions.

HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

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

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 169/01, 249/02, 249/03, 249/04, 249/05 & 249/06.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of amenity and the environment in accordance with policy GEN7 of the Arun District Local Plan.

- 3 The materials and finishes of the external walls and roof of the extension hereby permitted shall match in colour and texture those of the existing building.

Reason: In the interests of amenity in accordance with policies GEN7 and DEV19 of the Arun District Local Plan.

- 4 **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.