### Item:

# DC/23/2454/FUL

Retrospective Application - Single storey side and rear flat roofed extension. Rear first floor pitched roof extension

Doreens Cottage, 3 Bridge Road, Reydon, IP18 6RR



### **Site Location Plan**

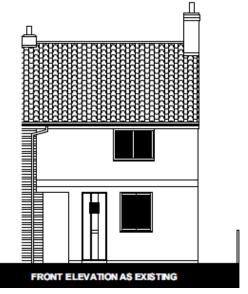




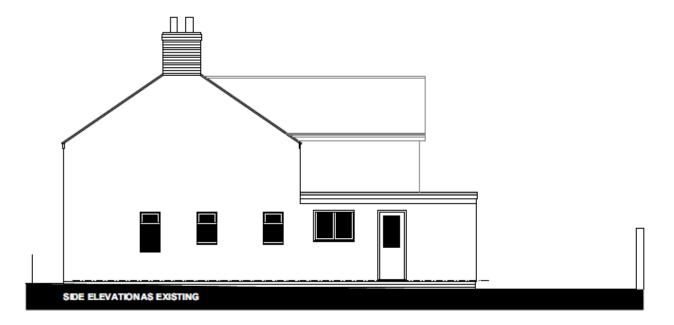
### Reason Application is before planning committee

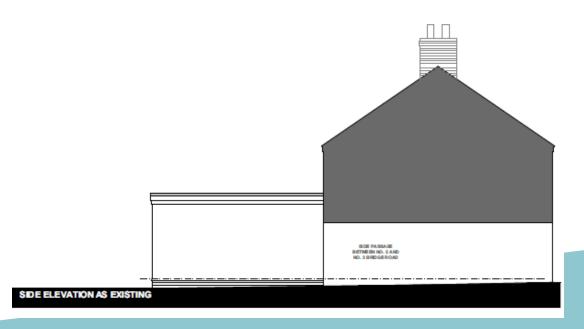
The application has been referred direct to the Planning Committee (North) by the Head of Planning and Coastal Management. This is because the application has received objections from the Ward Member, Parish Council and Neighbouring residents; the application is also made retrospectively seeking permission for development that has been carried out without compliance with a previous planning permission granted. The impact of the as-built development on the living conditions (amenity) of adjacent properties in this case warrants debate by the Planning Committee.

### **Original Elevations**

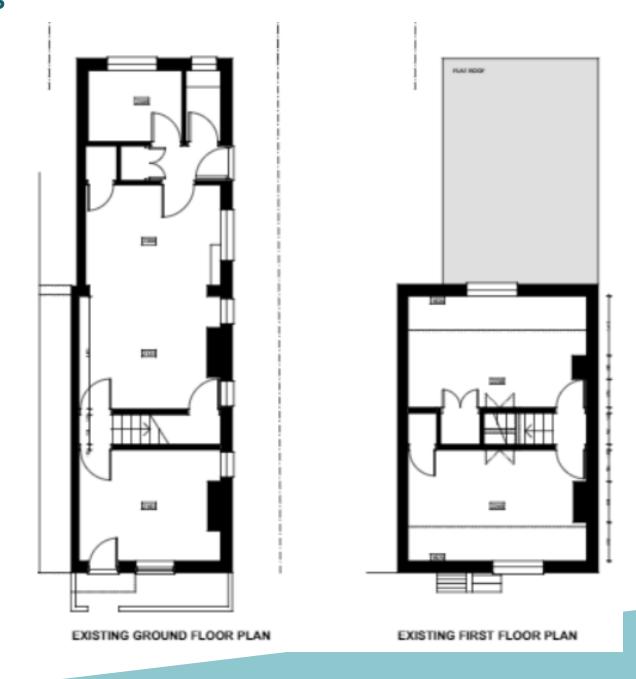




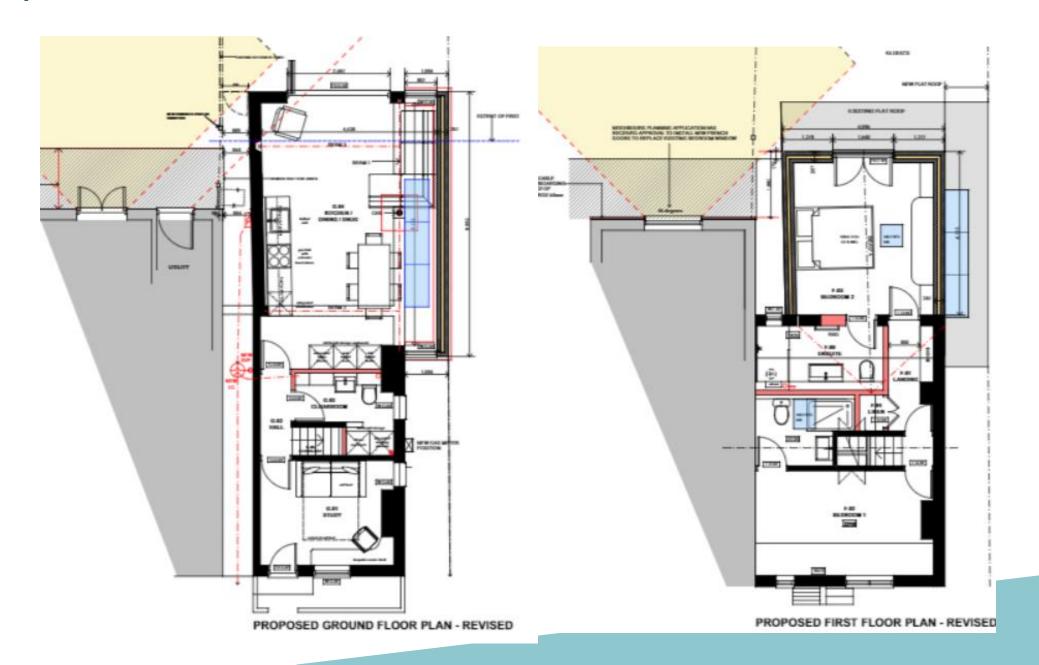




### **Original Floor Plans**



### **Proposed/Current Floor Plans**

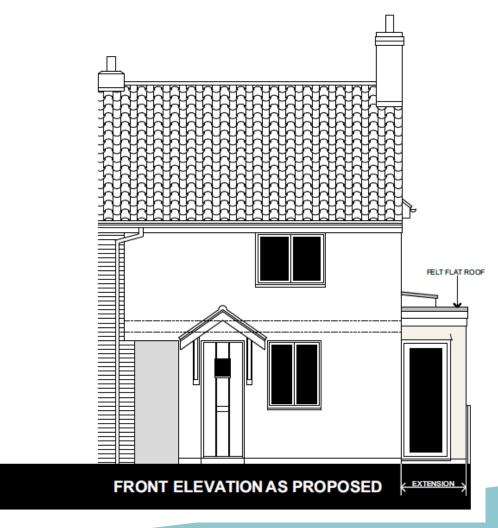


### **Proposed/Current Elevations (Front)**

#### Original application

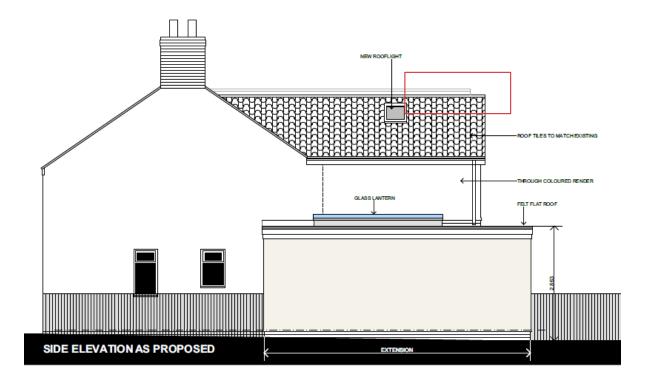


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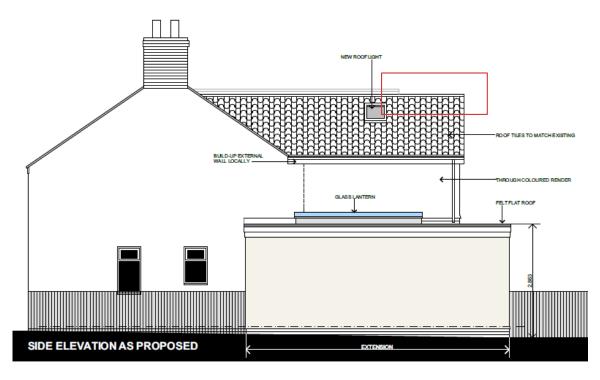


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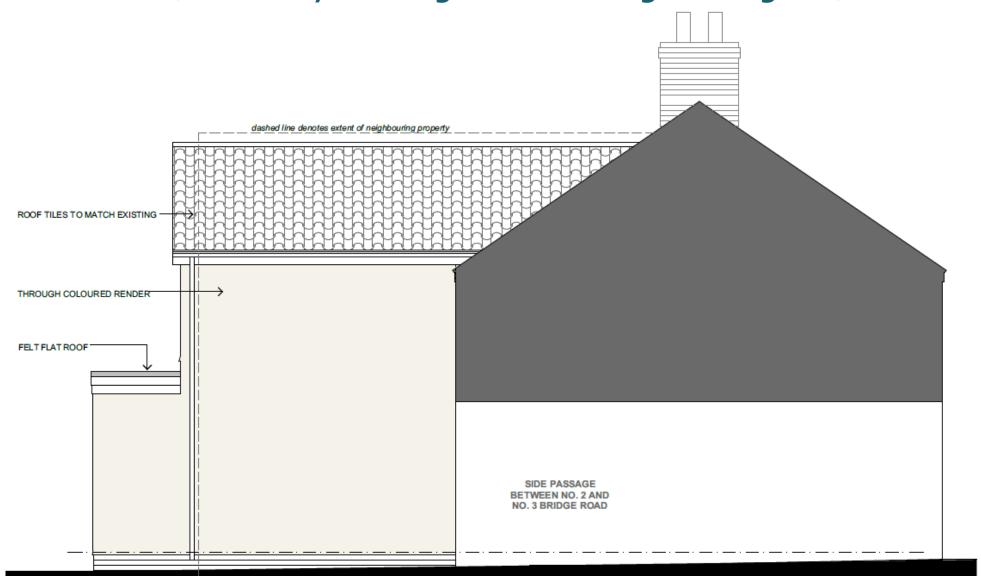


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#### **Issues**

Original Side Plan (Incorrectly showing outline of neighbours gable)

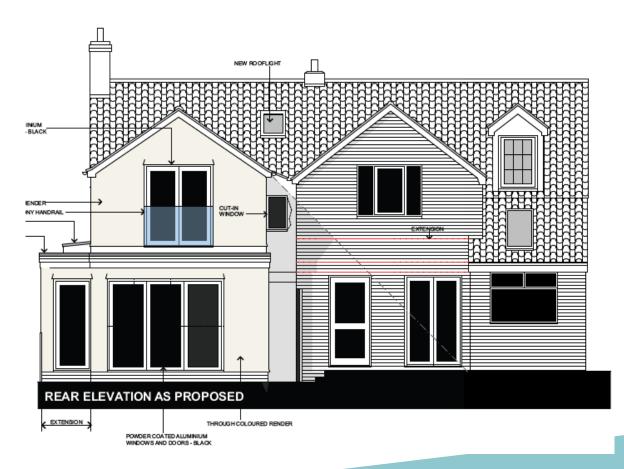


### **Proposed Elevations (Rear)**

### Original application



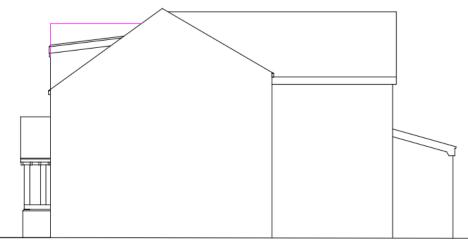
### **Current application**



### **Neighbours Extension**

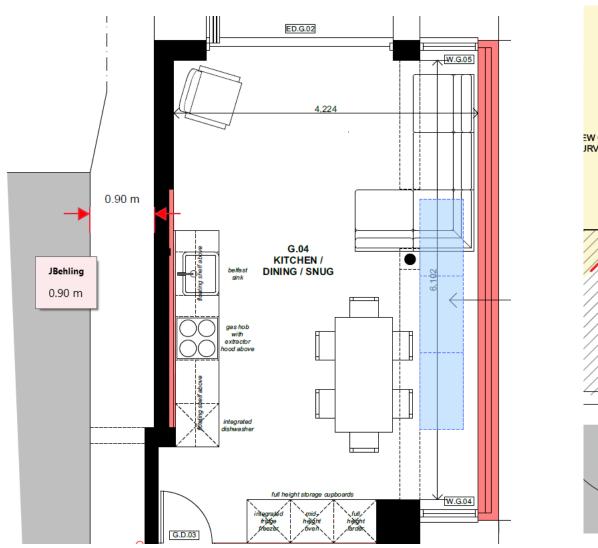


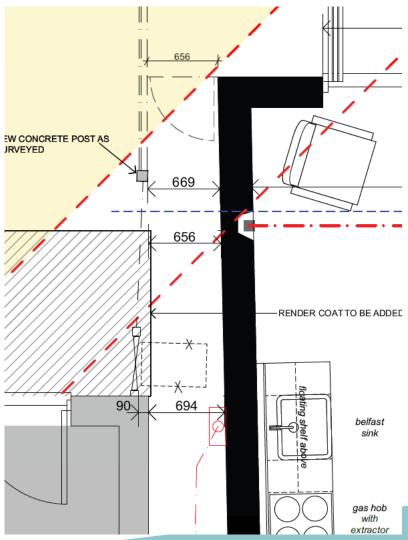




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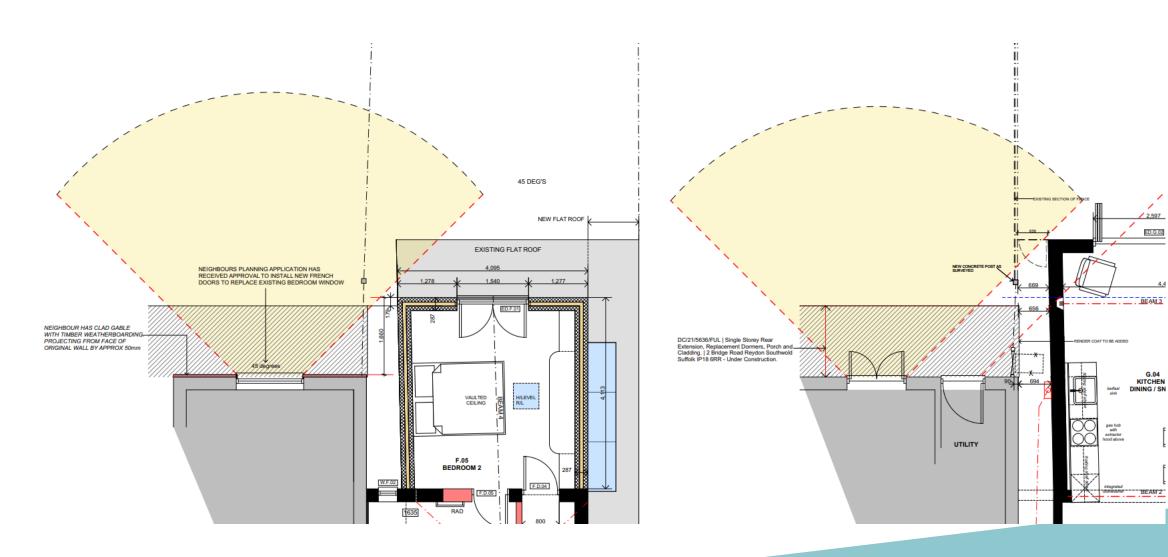
# Other Issues Original Floor Plan (Incorrect gap width between dwellings)

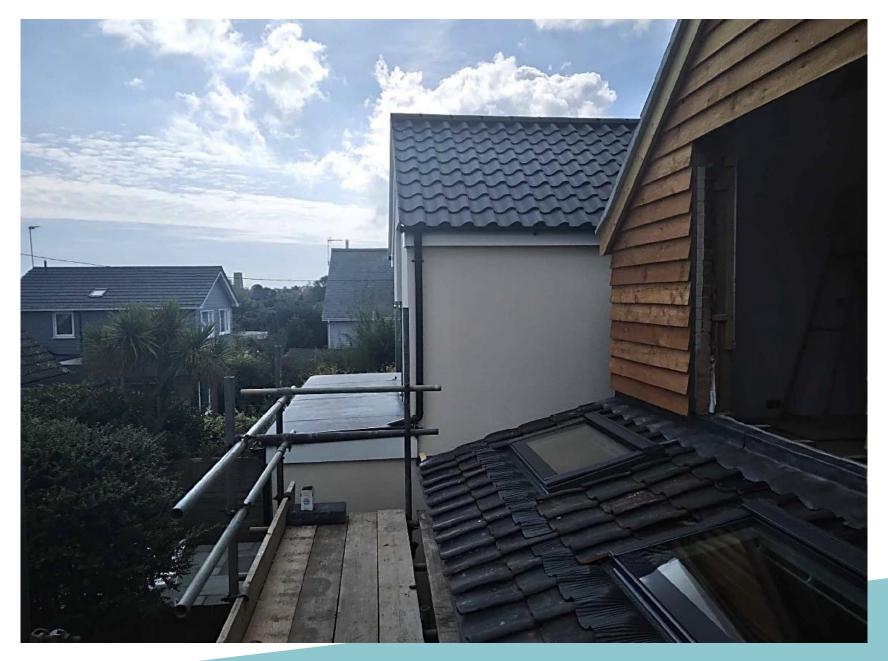


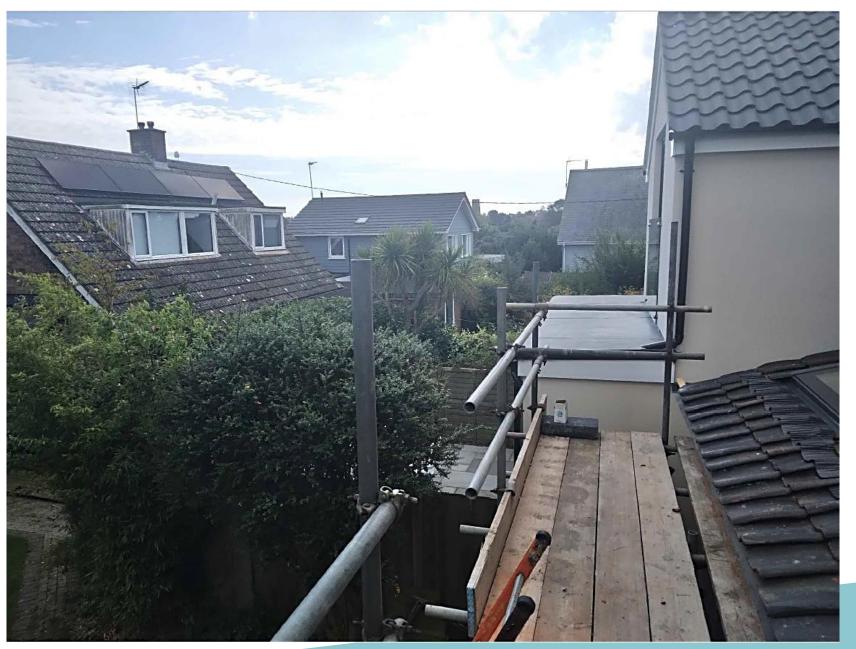


### Other Issues

### Outlook and light to neighbour



















# Material Planning Considerations and Key Issues

- Loss of Light
- Overlooking and Loss of Privacy
- Oppression and sense of overbearing

### Recommendation

**Approve Subject to conditions—summarised below:** 

- Approved Plans
- Materials
- Balcony/terrace Restriction

#### 1 – 3 Bridge Road, Reydon – a short planning history

A brief planning history of 1-3 Bridge Road reveals two points:

- A progressive upgrade to all three houses, in line with the standards of the day;
- For 24 years, between 1998 and 2022, No 2 Bridge projected furthest East of all three houses at First Floor level. It remains the largest of the three houses by volume.

#### 16th August 1904

Adnams auction 60 building plots at the Drill Hall in Southwold, on land that was part of Blackwater Farm

#### <u>1906-8</u>

1,2, and 3 Bridge Rd built: all to the same footprint. 1 & 2 are single storey dwellings whilst No 3 is 2 storeys;

#### <u> 1974</u>

No 3 Bridge Rd is Consented for a GF extension to provide a new bathroom & toilet – see separate attachment;

#### <u> 1985</u>

No 2 Bridge Rd is Consented for a new 1st Floor to provide 2 new bedrooms and a bathroom; and also a GF extension to provide a new kitchen – see separate attachment;

#### <u> 1997</u>

No 1 Bridge Road is Consented for a new Ground Floor flat roof kitchen extension;

#### <u> 1998</u>

No 2 Bridge Rd is Consented for a new Ground and First Floor extension to include a new kitchen at GF level, and a new 3rd bedroom above it, becoming the largest of the three houses, and at First Floor projects some 3m beyond No 3 Bridge Road – see separate attachment;

#### September 2021

No 3 Bridge Road is Consented for a single storey side and rear flat roofed extension, and rear first floor pitched roof extension;

#### December 2021

No 2 Bridge Rd Consented for new GF extension, new dormers, and porch.

EAST SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1971

Register No. W/12117

Town/Parish \_\_Rector

Date of Application . The Person 1974.

Applicant's Name & Address Mr. L.H. Roffe, Cometery Lodge, 146 Merses Folde,

-Colchester, Essen,

Agent's Name & Address ...

Description and Situation of Development Bathyoos and kitchen extension,

\_\_\_ 3 Bridge Road, Reydon.

PERMISSION IS HEREBY GRANTED by the EAST SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL as the Local Planning Authority for the purposes of the TORN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT. 1971 to development in accordance with the application shown above, subject to the development being carried out in accordance with the plan(a) and information contained in the application, and to the following conditions:

The development hereby permitted shall be begun not later than 5 years from the date of this permission.

The reason(s) for the condition(s) is/are as follows:

This condition is imposed in accordance with Section 41 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1971.

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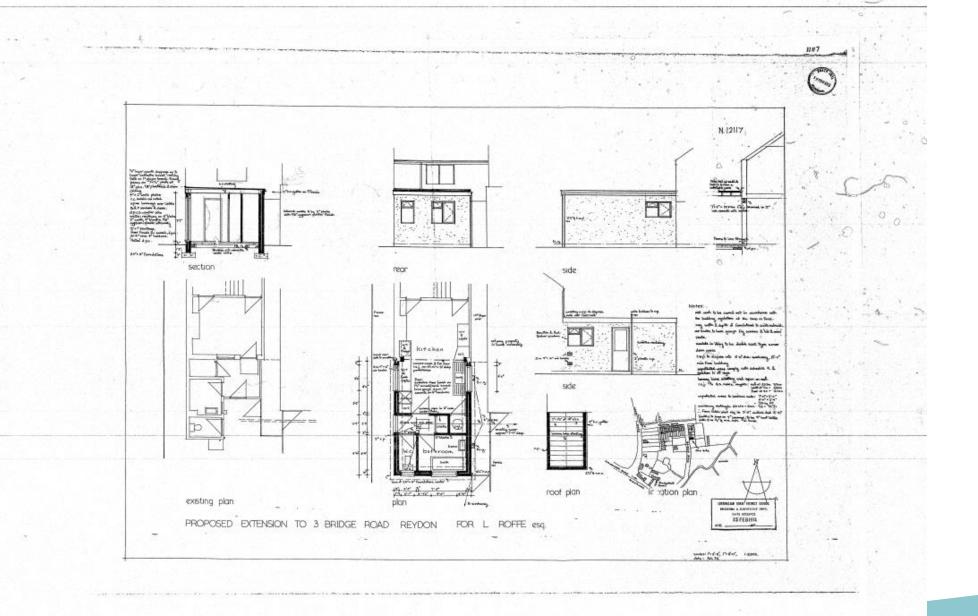
This consent refers only to the provisions of Part 111 of the Town and Country Planning Act. 1971, and attention is drawn to the necessity (where applicable) for obtaining the consent of the building regulations authority, i.e., The Borough or District Council. to the proposed development.

The ofollowing notes apply only if permission is granted subject to conditions:

(1) If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the local planning authority to grant permission or approval subject to conditions, he may appeal to the Secretary of State for the Environment, in accordance with section 36 of the Town and Country Planning ' : 1971, within six months of receipt of this notice (Appeals must be made on a form which is obtainable from the Department of the Environment, Caxton House, Tothill Street, London SWIH 9LZ). The Secretary of State has power to allow a longer period for the giving of a notice of appeal but he will not normally be prepared to exercise this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal. The Secretary of State is not required to entertain an appeal if it appears to him that permission for the proposed development could not have been granted by the local planning authority, othervise than subject to the conditions imposed by them, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of the development order, and to any directions given under the order. (The statutory requirements are those set out in section 36(7) of the Town & Country Planning Act, 1971, namely sections 29(1), 30(1), 67 & 74 of the Act.) He does not in practice refuse to entertain appeals solely because the decision of the local planning authority was based on a direction given by him.

(2) If permission to develop land is refused, or granted subject to conditions, whether by the local planning authority or by the Secretary of State for the Environment and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its exasting state and connot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted, he may serve on the Council of the Jounty district in which the land its situated, a purchase notice requiring that council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part IX of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971.

(3) In certain circumstances, a claim may be made against the local planning nuthority for compensation where permission is refused or granted subject to conditions by the Secretary of State on appeal or on a reference of the opplication to him. The circumstances in which such compensation is payable are set out in section 169 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971.



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(1) "Development" includes the making of any natural change in the use of any buildings or other land.

[2] This application is only for permission or approval under the Town & Country Planning Acts and not for any other purposes.

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Current view from my bedroom window demonstrating the intrusive and over-bearing nature of the extension.

Arenously there was a clear view across to St. Edmunds Chunch in Southworld. The room is now in deep shade from about 9.30 a.m., during the winter months. application to seek to regularise what has been constructed without planning permission or the uncil will need to consider whether or not it is expedient to take enforcement action.

I have reviewed the previous delegated report in respect of the original application which is obviously a very highly relevant material consideration. In the overall assessment the officer stated as follows;

"The proposed two-storey rear extension reflects a similar addition made to the adjoining property. It does project out further by half a metre but is narrower in width in that the extension

does not extend across the full width of the rear elevation. Consequently, therefore it is considered this narrower form makes the slight increase in depth acceptable and avoids the extension appearing too large or bulky."

That clearly establishes that the parameters within which any alternative application has to be assessed and the fact that the extension would only protrude by half a metre was clearly one of the reasons why the original proposal was considered acceptable. As has been established the as built extension protrudes some three times further than that which was approved.

The case officer went on to further state that

"There was some sympathy with the concerns of the neighbour to the south at the size of the first floor window openings, which consisted of French doors and full length side lights. The applicants have submitted amended plans reducing the width of the opening to a pair of glazed doors only which has also reduced the width of the Juliet balcony. This it is considered lessens intrusiveness of the first floor window to the neighbour, and taking into account the presence of the existing rear window, from which there is a degree of overlooking, it is not considered a refusal of planning permission could be substantiated on the grounds of loss of privacy."

Once again the length of the proposed extension and its effect on privacy was at the forefront of the decision maker's mind. An extension that protrudes some three times further will significantly increase the potential for overlooking and invasion of my client's privacy to the extent that such a proposal would clearly not have been approved had that been originally proposed. The fact that the applicants have chosen to press ahead with construction is not a relevant consideration and the work was clearly undertaken at their own risk.

In the case of DLA Delivery Ltd v Baroness Cumberledge of Newick, Patrick Cumberledge & Secretary of Ste for Communities and Local Government [2018] EWCA Civ 1305 the Court of Appeal confirmed that previous decisions of the secretary of state or his inspectors were capable of being material considerations. The Court of Appeal went on to say that a decision maker had a general obligation to take reasonable steps to acquaint himself with the relevant information to enable him to decide relevant questions correctly. Finally, the Court of Appeal said that because consistency in planning decision making was important, there would be cases in which it would be unreasonable for the secretary of state not to have regard to a previous appeal decision bearing on the issues on the appeal.

Just, in assessing the effect of the current proposal and whether or not to take action the Council is under a duty to fully take on board the previous conclusions it has reached and in doing so it can only conclude that what has been constructed is not suitable because of the impact it will have both on overlooking and the privacy of my client's property. The extension must therefore be reduced to the original proposed dimensions which inevitably leads to a conclusion that enforcement action will need to be pursued in the event that the applicant refuses to remedy the matter voluntarily.

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Can you please acknowledge receipt of this email by return and confirm that the application will be invalidated. Can you also please confirm that enforcement action will now be pursued.

My client reserves the right to take further steps including judicial review if the matter is not dealt with appropriately.

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