

PLANNING REF : 242733
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 40 Glebe Lane
: Sonning, Berkshire
: RG46XH
SUBMITTED BY : Mr Souren Sarafyan
DATE SUBMITTED : 17/11/2024

COMMENTS:

I have two main objections to this application

1) I believe that the extension is taller than the 6.3 meters allowed for in the planning consent.
In the application it states "Whilst the ridge height would slightly increase from the current high point in the ridgeline, this is only by a marginal amount".

While it is difficult for me to measure but it seems much taller than the original building.

2) In the conditions section of the planning approval it has "3 - Materials to match"

The materials in no way match the existing / original building which is of traditional brick painted white for the ground floor, reddish brown tiles for the first floor with and orange / brown roof tiles (of which I have samples if you wish to compare).

The extension has black slate tiles and the walls of the building are clad in a charcoal / grey material completely at odds with the original building and the houses in the entire Hawthorne Drive, Glebe lane and Glebe Gardens area.

I very much doubt planning permission would have been granted if the original application had been truthful about the materials to be used.

I and other neighbours can assure you that we would have voiced our concerns on the first application.

Overall, the building which was a lovely bungalow style traditional building has been turned into an imposing top heavy monstrosity, not reflected in the original plans submitted to the council.

It is quite apparent that the applicant applied for what they thought would be an "acceptable" extension, all the while planning to build something quite different, and relying on the council then retrospectively giving them permission for their "fait accompli".

The fact that the extension was built off site and brought over for final assembly meant that no one had sight of the changes and could not complain at the time of the building, again a "fait accompli".

On balance the extension has completely ruined the outlook from our house, where we had a lovely view of the skyline we now have an imposing grey slab at the bottom of our garden.

I urge the council to refuse these latest changes and insist that the extension complies with the original plans submitted.