

Wick Hill Lodge - Existing property and plot.

Wick Hill Lodge is a brick painted detached property situated on a large private aspect plot at the end of a private lane shared with other properties. It has a large gravelled driveway and parking for around eight cars. The existing plot has an array of mature trees and hedging making the plot feel particularly private from neighbouring houses. To the rear of the main house is a lawned garden with organised planting, existing tennis court and swimming pool. Beyond the pool are a series of single storey outbuildings and stables, further from this point the garden continues and is surrounded by mature trees.

Wick Hill Lodge - The Proposal.

Pool house, replacement swimming pool and storage shed.

1. Demolition of the existing raised terrace and swimming pool which is 0.8m - 1m above garden level. Replace this with a natural swimming pool at garden level.
2. Demolition of existing four large storage sheds and in the same area replace these with a Pool house and seating area
3. Garden storage for equipment and ride on lawnmower, used for incidental purposes for maintaining the house and plot.

1. Replacement Swimming pool

The proposed natural swimming (the pool will be unheated) to provide a longer lasting sustainable solution whilst increasing opportunity for biodiversity within the garden. Its organic shape will enhance the garden landscaping and organic / natural ideology that will surround the pool, this could include areas of wild meadow and a reduction in lawn area to reduce the need for water consumption. Two proposed decking areas will provide outdoor seating space for the family to enjoy the nature the pool attracts.

2. Alteration to Pool house

This application proposes an alternative design for the pool house previously approved under application number 232160 in November 2023. The new design maintains approximately the same internal and external layout but updates the style to a more contemporary look. This change will not affect the Arboricultural or Archaeological reports required by the original planning conditions.

The previous design featured a traditional style with an overhanging veranda and extensive glazing around a seating area. The new proposal retains the same functional spaces, including seating, pool facilities, a shower, WC, and a plant room, but with a modern aesthetic. The updated design includes timber cladding and a flat roof with possible green sedum roof. This revised design aims to enhance the visual appeal while adhering to the same functional and environmental standards as the approved plan.

