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Sent: 05 February 2026 14:28:58 UTC+00:00
To: "'Tim Evans'" <Tim@TJEvansLtd.co.uk>
Subject: RE: Submission of Amended Plans - DM/25/3233 - 77 Wivelsfield Road, Haywards Heath

Dear Tim

Thank you for your recent email and Amended Plan submission for the above application, and for the detailed explanation for the design changes that have been made. I note the comments regarding the loss of the chimney, and will take these into account in my determination of the amended scheme.

I will now arrange for the Amended Plans to be readvertised. Once I have been advised of the new Press Expiry date for comments from the neighbours and consultees I will request your agreement to an Extension of time for the Decision Target Date, as it will not be possible to make my recommendation within the original Target Date (by 13.02.2026).

I shall amend the Description to read as follows:

'Proposed removal of the detached single garage and construction of a two storey side extension, replacing the existing timber cladding, removal of the existing chimney, installation of a stainless steel flue and replacing the existing windows. Amended Plans received 03.02.2026 to show the addition of dark stained timber feather-edge cladding, the extension of the driveway to create an additional car parking space, and the planting of a new laurel/evergreen hedge along the front of the property.'

Regards
Anna

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From: Tim Evans <Tim@TJEvansLtd.co.uk>
Sent: 03 February 2026 16:28
To: Anna Tidey <anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Site visit follow up - DM/25/3233 - 77 Wivelsfield Road, Haywards Heath

Hi Anna,

I hope you are well and apologies for the time taken to get back in touch with you.

Further to our conversation and your follow-up e-mail I have discussed the points with my client and am happy to offer the following revisions to the plans:

- The proposed slate grey cement board Cedral cladding will be changed to dark stained timber feather-edge cladding throughout,
- The drive will be extended and an additional car parking space provided, to account for the new bedroom,
- A new laurel (or similar ever-green) hedge will be planted along the front of the property.

I know you were unhappy to see the loss of the existing brick chimney, but the applicant is very keen to take it down it as it was left in an unstable condition when parts of the flues were removed by a previous owner of the property, as indicted before and mentioned in the Design and Access Statement. Additionally, the applicant would also like to remove both chimney breasts at ground floor level, as they take up valuable space in what is a modest sized property and the ability to take down the entire structure will greatly simplify this. We have investigated the use of a “dummy” chimney, but this option is too costly.

With respect, it is suggested that removing a chimney from a house that is neither listed nor situated in a conservation area does not normally require planning permission, so while the chimney's loss might be lamented, I hope this will not result in the application proposal being rejected. That said, please let me know if you think it will and I will speak again with the applicant.

The changes listed above have been incorporated into the plans, a revised copy of which is attached, herewith, for your consideration/approval, as follows:

General Arrangement Drawing No 525/037/01 (Rev C)

I trust I have provided all the information you need, but please do not hesitate to let me know if you have any questions or you require any further information.

With many thanks and best regards

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From: Anna Tidey <anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk>
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Subject: RE: Site visit follow up - DM/25/3233 - 77 Wivelsfield Road, Haywards Heath

Hi Tim

Thank you for taking my call to discuss my concerns following my site visit this morning. Just to follow up, the issues that we discussed are:

- loss of the chimney.
- removal of timber cladding and replacement with grey cedar cladding.
- parking provision for additional bedroom.
- proposed frontage treatment, as the hedge has been removed.

Please discuss the above with your client and advise me if there are to be any amendments to address my concerns.

Thank you.

Regards

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