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7 Park Road

7 Park Road, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15 8EU

Planning Statement

Mid Sussex District Council,

This letter is written in support of alterations to the Householder Application **DM/24/2278** Approved on 7th February 2025 at 7 Park Road, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15 8EU. Application **DM/24/2278** involved the demolition of the existing lean-to external store and in the construction of a single storey rear extension and internal alterations.

The proposed alterations to the consented scheme are outline below. The internal alterations are not listed as these do not form part of the requested permission.

- The width of the traditional element of the proposed rear single-storey extension is increased to align with the outside edge of the existing two-storey gable. Architecturally creates a stronger aesthetic, as well as puts more emphasis on the traditional built form which we understand to have been a key consideration on the previous application. The contemporary aspect of the proposed extension also now aligns with the existing glazed conservatory.
- A reduction in glazing along the rear facing elevation. The proposed glazing proportions closer reflect the existing arrangement. The proposed design looks to incorporate heritage doorsets in lieu of large expansive glazed door leafs to be more sympathetic to the character of the host dwelling.
- The materiality of the traditional element is proposed to be red facing brick in lieu of the white render previously proposed. This reflects the existing arrangement.
- The eaves height of both the traditional and contemporary elements of the proposed rear extension are now the same level to create a stronger and consistent aesthetic.
- As the host dwelling does not currently incorporate any flat roof sections, this has been omitted from the proposed rear extension to ensure the proposed roof is in keeping with the character of the original dwelling. This has been achieved by adapting the proposed roof pitch.
- Along the side (west facing elevation), similar to the consented scheme, the existing side door is replaced with a window and new doors are introduced - albeit the position and style of the new window and door has been developed to reflect the proposed rear extension.

To reflect the existing lean-to extension, the proposed materiality of the traditional element will be natural slate and rustic red facing brick for the elevations. To reflect the consented scheme, the proposed materiality of the contemporary element will be standing seam metal cladding on both the walls and roof with anthracite heritage doors and conservation roof lights. Details on the materials are provided on the proposed elevations (25.07_PL_I01). Please also refer to the attached Product Data Sheets and Installation Details.

Following a detailed review of the previous correspondence on the consented scheme, we feel these alterations further enhance the proposed development and closer align the scheme with the Conservation Officer's aspirations. The development is of a high quality design that incorporates contemporary features, whilst respecting and integrating with the character of the surrounding area and original dwelling. We have tried to include as much information as possible within this application to ensure a smooth determination process. However, if you require any further information, then please don't hesitate to get in touch with us. We wish to positively engage with the Council during the determination of this planning application and we will contact the Case Officer once they have had the opportunity to review the submitted information.

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