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Subject: DM/25/1776 58 Park Rd, BH

Hi Peter

Comments on the above planning application.

The application site is an unlisted detached house located within the St Johns Conservation Area of Burgess Hill. It is an attractive, mid-late 19th century villa which retains a number of period features. The house, like the majority of buildings to this northern side of Park Road, is set back behind a generous front garden, which is enclosed by a rendered front boundary wall with hedging behind. Well-defined front boundaries are a characteristic feature of the properties along Park Road, with a mixture of brick and rendered walls, fences and hedging. The house and its front garden, including the boundary wall, make a strong positive contribution to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

The current proposal is for alterations to the front boundary comprising increasing the width of the entrance gateway and gate, including relocating the adjacent rendered masonry pier. This will result in a loss of a small section of the front boundary wall.

Although the principle of loss of front boundary treatments along Park Road may be unacceptable in many circumstances, the alteration proposed here is relatively minor, with the majority of the existing wall remaining, and the pier reinstated in the alternative position. On balance, it is not considered that an objection could be sustained in terms of the impact on character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

The proposal is therefore considered to meet the requirements of District Plan Policy DP35 and the relevant paragraphs of the NPPF.

Thanks,

Emily

Please note that this advice is given at Officer level only and is without prejudice to the formal decision of the District Council.

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