



Thursday 23rd January 2025

Attention Andrew Horrell

DM/24/3060 | Proposed new cladding to front elevation first floor. Car port and opening through garden wall at rear.

Home Cottage 4 High Street Hurstpierpoint Hassocks West Sussex BN6 9TY

We object to this application.

Our Society has been in existence for over 60 years and aims to protect and conserve the natural and built environment of our village and surrounding area.

The above property is within the Conservation Area and it is regrettable that some of the proposed work have been carried out without the necessary permission. A number of windows appear to have also been replaced and we could not see a planning notice displayed regarding this current application.

The cladding which has already been installed may be beneficial by reducing maintenance costs, but it does not enhance/reflect the character of the Cottage and the Conservation Area. It is therefore in conflict with the requirements of Policy DP 35 of the District Plan.

The wall alongside the Cottage is a mixture of old bricks, flint and other waste materials and is of considerable age, interest and character. Although a very modest feature, it is a specific local historical technique of building walls and it is these small features which contribute to the character of the Conservation Area. Again this proposal is therefore contrary to DP35.

We also believe access is an important aspect here. This entrance to Churchfields is already dangerous with very limited visibility when crossing /joining the High. Also the proposed car port will not make a positive contribution to the Conservation Area,

An application HP/075/85 for a detached bungalow on the land to the rear of Culvers, Churchfields was refused because the existing access to the public highway is very hazardous.

It would be inconsistent to now provide for a further car space.

