

From: Emily Wade
Sent: 04 November 2025 14:45:40 UTC+00:00
To: "Ben Kirk" <ben@manorwood.co.uk>
Subject: RE: DM/25/2370 Burstow Cottage

Dear Ben

Thank you for your email.

As you will be aware, Burstow Cottage is a Grade II listed mid-late 17th century building located in a rural position outside Ardingly. The property has quite a complex recent planning history of applications and pre-application enquiries relating to alterations and extensions to the building, including various works affecting the existing modern two storey rear addition. Amongst the works which have been part of these proposals have been a variety of suggested alterations resulting in the removal of or alteration to the chimney forming part of this modern extension. The Council's view all along has been that the existing chimney whilst not historic makes a positive contribution to the appearance of the extension, which is substantial, and to the extent to which it successfully integrates with the original cottage. For this reason, the removal of the chimney has not been previously favourably viewed, and it remains my opinion that this is unacceptable.

In addition to this, in my opinion the proposed bay window is not sympathetic in its form or design to the vernacular character of the Cottage.

For these reasons, notwithstanding the arguments made in the Heritage Statement submitted with the current application, I am afraid that I am unable to support the current proposal, and it is my intention to write the application up with a recommendation for refusal within the current target date, unless the application is withdrawn. I would be grateful if you would let me know how you would wish to proceed in light of this.

Kind regards,

Emily Wade

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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Alteration of existing modern extension including changes to fenestration and replacement of chimney stack with bay window.

Burstow Cottage Hammingden Lane Ardingly Haywards Heath West Sussex RH17 6SR

Hi Emily

With regards to the above application. I note the determination deadline for a decision is 12th November so with just over a week to go I wondered if there is any feedback on the application or any further information that you require?

Many thanks

Kind Regards

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