

Caroline Grist

From: Steve Wilcock [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 June 2026 15:26
To: Caroline Grist; Rob Meynell; Jane Wilcock
Subject: RE: DM/26/1096 - More House, Copyhold Lane

Dear Caroline,

Thank you for your email and for taking the time to review the application.

I appreciate your explanation of your interpretation of the materials condition within Schedule 2, Part 1, Class A and the reference to the Government's Technical Guidance.

Before the application is determined, I wondered if I could respectfully ask you to reconsider your conclusion in relation to the proposed windows and doors, or open a discussion with Rob Meynell so that we fully understand the situation.

My understanding is that the statutory requirement within the GPDO is that the materials used should be "of a similar appearance to those used in the construction of the exterior of the existing dwellinghouse." The accompanying Technical Guidance provides examples of how this may be interpreted, but my understanding is that the guidance is not intended to introduce an additional statutory test beyond that contained within the Order itself.

In this case, the proposed extension has been designed using black aluminium windows and doors, which are consistent with the existing aluminium glazing already present on the property. The intention has been to use materials that are visually consistent while allowing the new extension to remain clearly subservient to, and visually distinct from, the original Harold Turner house through the use of the glazed link.

I therefore respectfully question whether the proposal can properly be said to fail the Class A materials condition solely because of the proportions or configuration of the glazing, when the materials themselves are of a similar appearance to those already forming part of the dwellinghouse.

I would be very grateful if you could reconsider this aspect of the assessment before issuing your decision.

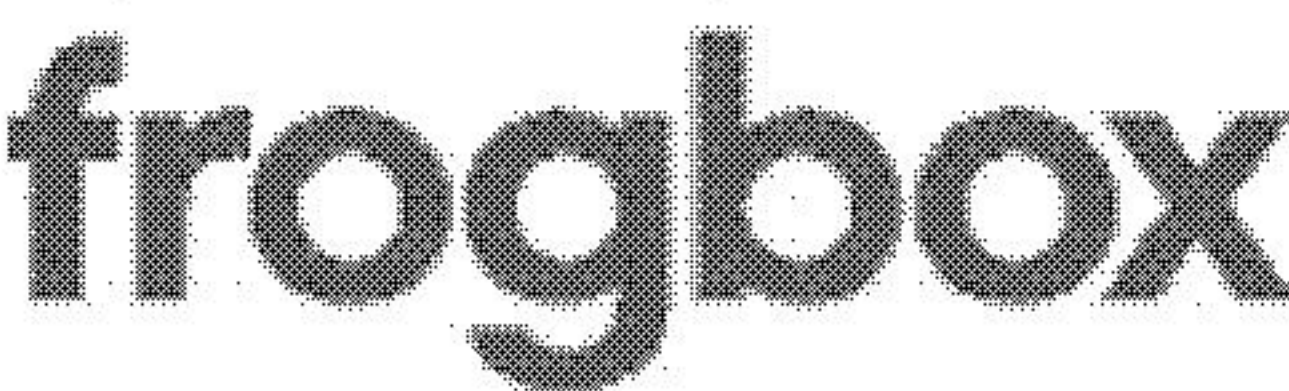
Thank you again for your time and careful consideration.

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