

Andy Watt

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 April 2025 16:02
To: Andy Watt
Subject: DM/25/0890 - 22 Haywards Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 4HT.

Dear Mr Watt,

We wish to formally register our comments regarding the proposed planning application DM/25/0890 relating to 22 Haywards Road, Haywards Heath.

Having reviewed the proposed plans and associated documents, whilst we have no objection to the proposed ground floor extension, we do have concerns with aspects of the proposed first (upper) floor extension regarding both its size and design.

From the front elevation, (viewed from our property) the proposed width of the two-storey extension protrudes past the existing side wall of the house and exceeds the permitted development right width by 1.5m. Whilst the width of the proposed ground floor extension exceeds the permitted development right, it is mainly concealed by the existing single-story garage and will be built of brick. However, the proposed upper storey extension will be fully visible above the roofline of the garage and will be notably conspicuous when viewed from the front elevation, subsequently reducing the amount of sunlight to our property.

Our further concern and objection is that the proposed use of zinc cladding for the upper storey is in stark contrast to the period design and brick construction of both the existing house and the other surrounding properties in the road resulting in a marked change to the appearance of the front elevation of the property, which is situated within an area of 'Townscape Character'. Having noted that the plan cites the two-storey side extension at 21 Haywards Road, it fails to mention that almost identical materials and a similar design were used to seamlessly blend the extension into the original house without any noticeable contrast.

We would ask that when assessing the planning application, Mid Sussex District Council take into account our above-mentioned comments and concerns and consider the possibility that approving such a design could potentially set a precedence that would eventually alter the material character and appearance of the road.

Yours sincerely,

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25 Haywards Road, RH16 4HX.