

Design & Access / Supporting Statement

Project Details

Applicant: Kathryn J'Connell

Site Address: 33 Badgers walk, Burgess Hill, RH15 0AE

Local Planning Authority: Mid Sussex District Council

Application Type: ^{Retrof Pictur e} Householder Planning Application

Development Proposal: Garage conversion and replacement front porch in brickwork

Policy Context

The proposed development has been assessed against the Mid Sussex District Plan (2014–2031), in particular Policy DP26: Character and Design, which requires development to respect the character of the surrounding area, use appropriate materials, and integrate well with the host dwelling.

Garage Conversion

The proposal includes the conversion of the existing garage to habitable accommodation. The works are modest in scale and will use materials consistent with the existing dwelling. The conversion is designed to compliment the main house, retaining the character of the property while providing improved extra living space. The development is to the rear of the main house and will not adversely impact the street scene, the character of the area, or the amenity of neighbouring properties.

Replacement Front Porch

The proposal also includes replacing the existing uPVC front porch with a new brick-built porch. The new porch will be proportionate in scale, designed in relation to the main dwelling, and constructed in matching brickwork to harmonise with the house. This represents a visual enhancement compared to the existing uPVC structure and contributes positively to the overall character of the street scene.

Consistent with others within the area.

Conclusion

The development has been carefully designed to respect the character and appearance of the host property and the wider area. The replacement porch improves the quality of design and materials, while the garage conversion is appropriately scaled and blends incp with the dwelling. Together, the proposals comply with Policy DP26 (Character and Design) of the Mid Sussex District Plan and are considered acceptable in planning terms.

Is of the same design as others in the area.