Comment for planning application 21/01535/F

Application Number 21/01535/F

Location Lane Head Main Street Sibford Gower OX15 5RT

Proposal Demolish existing garage for replacement with oak framed carport and roof alterations to

create first floor over existing ancillary outbuilding to create pool and annexe

accommodation

Case Officer Lewis Knox

Organisation

Comments

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Type of Comment

Objection

Type neighbour

Traffic in villages is a curse as I am sure you will know. Just trying to drive out of the village from houses near the pond can be an obstacle course of obstructions by delivery vehicles, turning vehicles and vehicles parked inappropriately. Any further development which attracts vehicles exacerbates the problems of living - especially at our village pond and its environs. The particular problem with this proposal is that the lane site for the development has a dead end with no public turning space and a blind corner at the other end. Extra (unspecified) accommodation will add more traffic from deliveries, services and private vehicles. The narrowness of the lane also causes a hazard to the many walkers who begin their boundary walk along here. The design and nature of the high buildings is not in keeping with a country lane with ancient garden wall on one side and walled gardens on the other side. Why is it necessary to have upper floors? Such a development could so easily be turned into separate dwellings. This was the intention of the previously submitted plan (2017) which was roundly refused. A plan for a granny annex was also refused in 1987 and, later that year appealed against and refused. The proposed garage for 3 cars would reduce the current available garaging as a previous owner built a garage for 6 cars to house his collection (which he did not use). The plans seem to show that the cross-over to the open plan garage will subsume the verge and a wall. The verges on either side are part of the character of the lane and not just for private use. Over the years, there have been at least 8 failed applications to build on this tiny bit of land and every refusal has concerned the viability of the lane for more traffic; and the "undesirable" over-utilisation of the land. The reasons for refusal are now only worse, when you consider the size, speed and frequency of delivery vehicles. I would like to register my objection to the above planning request.

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