

# Comment for planning application 21/03197/F

<b>Application Number</b>	<input type="text" value="21/03197/F"/>
<b>Location</b>	<input type="text" value="Lane Head Main Street Sibford Gower OX15 5RT"/>
<b>Proposal</b>	<input type="text" value="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 - re-submission of 21/01535/F"/>
<b>Case Officer</b>	<input type="text" value="Lewis Knox"/>
<b>Organisation Name</b>	<input type="text" value="Hugh Pidgeon"/>
<b>Address</b>	<input type="text" value="Burdrop Green, Street From Hawkes Lane To Street Through Burdrop, Burdrop, Banbury, OX15 5RQ"/>
<b>Type of Comment</b>	<input type="text" value="Comment"/>
<b>Type</b>	<input type="text" value="neighbour"/>
<b>Comments</b>	<input type="text" value="I am very conscious that the history of this application is complex and goes back well beyond the present ownership. The opposition to the application speaks to significant levels of distress on all sides, and not only on the part of those opposed. As a resident of the village, it has been painful to watch. I REGRET that the formality of the planning process do not extend to offering a process of mediation, as in other walks of life that generate similar levels of distress. Because a number of the objections to this application in my view could readily have been met had there been a process whereby all the affected members of this close-knit community could have been brought together to review both aspirations and concerns. I am equally aware that a number of those who would be affected are actually not opposed to the application. This is a small community. I suspect none of them would wish to be pitted against each other by the very act of declaring support. But that is presently all that is on offer: to support or to object, for or against. Technically it is possible to comment as I am doing here. But it is the numbers of support and objection that get counted. A mediation service is beyond the remit of a Parish Council, but I invite the members of the District Council's planning department to consider whether they might not find the length of time presently taken up by Pre-App deliberations would be significantly reduced if an alternative of independent mediation was made available. Hugh Pidgeon"/>
<b>Received Date</b>	<input type="text" value="29/10/2021 01:17:13"/>
<b>Attachments</b>	