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Application ref 20220946

Long Mead Tanyard Hill Shorne Gravesend Kent DA12 3EN

Application for non-material amendment to planning permission reference number 20220157 to allow rendering of the proposed extension and rear/sides of the existing property.

The Parish Council **OBJECTS** to this proposal, which it considers to be more than a non-material change.

It is noted that the plans for both the original application and this present one are confusing over whether there were originally any doors on the side elevations and on which side of the house they were located.

The property is part of an Estate of "Billings" brick-built houses, in a prominent position on Tanyard Hill and therefore highly visible in the streetscene. There will be an adverse effect on local amenity if the incongruous render is visible from the roadway.

In commenting on the original application 20220157, the Parish Council remarked that "Several of the Billings houses in the row have had similar rear extensions and the proposed design is sympathetic to that of the house as originally built." The latter is not now the case with this present application.

It is considered that if there are problems with the rear brickwork they should have been identified before now, and we note that the other "Billings" houses do not apparently have such a problem. To our understanding, it is always possible to obtain matching bricks to use in blocking up openings.

The Parish Council considers that if some rendering is considered essential then, in order to reduce visual impact from the street, it should only come as far forward as to cover any redundant door openings on the side elevations, i.e. no further forward than 2/3 along the longer side elevation (and matching on the shorter elevation) as measured from the rear.

We note that the render is white, Conditions should be attached to ensure that the colour does not change.

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