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Reference: Old Barn Bungalow, Woodhill, Meopham, DA13 0DJ – Application to vary/remove conditions

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing with regards to the above application and would like to state the following. The applicant has since the start of Covid-19 had severe health issues and fallen ill with problems that have had a detrimental effect on him. This has resulted in him needing help daily. The applicant's son went through a very nasty relationship breakdown and whilst visiting his father, found him unconscious. This resulted in him needing urgent medical care and needing daily help.

Due to covid and the need for care but also shielding issued, the son could not remain in the main house, so they decided to convert the garage. The garage was granted planning permission in 2017 and it has been built completely in accordance with the approved plans as submitted with this application. Internally, a shower room, living space and a bedroom. There is no kitchen, and the use is completely incidental to the main house. There are no separate utility bills, entrances to the annex, postal addresses and no tenancy agreements. The annex is solely used in order to provide assistance to the applicant and will not and has not ever been used as a separate unit of accommodation.

I would therefore ask that the application be assessed in the same way as that of an outbuilding/annex being used under Permitted Development. The applicant would accept a condition to say that it can never be used as a separate unit of accommodation (in effect, a house).

Kind Regards

Mrs R Ali