

Dickens Country Preservation Society



Gravesham Borough Council
Planning and Regeneration Services
Service Manager (Development Management)
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23rd November 2022

Dear Sirs

Re 'Northfield House', Wrotham Road, Meopham, Gravesend, DA13 0AQ
Outline application with some matters reserved for the demolition of
Northfield House and outbuildings and the erection of three detached
Dwellings, with associated parking, access and amenity area

We refer to the above planning application, your reference GR/2022/1153 and would make the following comment.

The Society regrets that the application is based on the demolition of an existing house, which is of long standing and forms part of the character of the area.

The Society notes that the application is similar to application GR/2022/0823 on which the Society commented; our letter of 22nd August 2022 refers. The main difference between the two applications appears to be in the indicative design submitted for the third dwelling.

In clarification, the Society objects in principal to the third dwelling which it considers is over-development. It is an undesirable form of backland development affecting the amenity of the properties around the site. In the Society's view, there may be the potential for two dwellings on the road frontage, particularly if the access road to the rear is omitted and the amenity land around each dwelling can be increased at the sides and to the rear. This, with some re-design could result in a development more in character with the area.

Yours faithfully


Mrs P A Lippiatt
Hon. Secretary