

Development Management – Delegated Officer Report

Application Number: AWDM/0505/26

Recommendation – APPROVE

Site: 15 Courtlands Close Worthing West Sussex BN12 4BT

Proposal: Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for a Proposed single storey rear extension and patio. Demolition of existing sun room and covered verandah.

Site visit: N

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

Detached bungalow with rooms in the roof on the east side of Courtlands Close, with weatherboard elevations and tiled slate roof. The property is not a Listed Building or located within a Conservation Area.

Planning Assessment

Principle

The proposal will be viewed against the criteria of permitted development, as laid out within The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015

Consideration

Schedule 2, Part 1, Development within the curtilage of a dwellinghouse
Permitted Development

Class A – Enlargement, improvement or other alteration of a dwellinghouse

A.1 Development is not permitted by Class A if-

a) permission to use the dwellinghouse as a dwellinghouse has been granted only by virtue of Class M, N, P, PA or Q of Part 3 of the Schedule (changes of use);

Analysis: The dwellinghouse has not been created through change of use by virtue of Part 3.

b) as a result of the works, the total area of ground covered by buildings within the curtilage of the dwellinghouse (other than the original dwellinghouse) would exceed 50% of the total area of the curtilage (excluding the ground area of the original dwellinghouse);

Analysis: The ground cover by extension(s) will not exceed 50% of the total area of curtilage.

c) the height of the part of the dwellinghouse enlarged, improved or altered would exceed the height of the highest part of the roof of the existing dwellinghouse;

Analysis: The height of the enlargement would not exceed the height of the highest part of the roof of the existing dwellinghouse.

d) the height of the eaves of the part of the dwellinghouse enlarged, improved or altered would exceed the height of the eaves of the existing dwellinghouse;

Analysis: The height of the eaves of the enlargement would not exceed the height of the highest part of the roof of the existing dwellinghouse.

e) the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse would extend beyond a wall which:
i) forms the principal elevation of the original dwellinghouse; or
ii) fronts a highway and forms a side elevation of the original dwellinghouse;

Analysis: The enlargement would not extend beyond a wall which forms the principal elevation or side elevation by fronting a highway.

f) subject to paragraph g) the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse would have a single storey and-
i) extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by more than 4m in the case of a detached dwellinghouse, or 3m in the case of any other dwellinghouse, or
ii) exceed 4m in height;

Analysis: The enlargement is single-storey and would not extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by more than 4m, or exceed 4m in height.

g) for a dwellinghouse not on article 2(3) land nor on a site of special scientific interest, the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse would have a single storey and-
i) extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by more than 8 m in the case of a detached dwellinghouse, or 6m in the case of any other dwellinghouse, or
ii) exceed 4m in height;

Analysis: The enlargement is single-storey and would not extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by more than 8m, or exceed 4m in height.

ah) the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse would have more than a single storey and-
i) extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by more than 3m, or

ii) be within 7 m of any boundary of the curtilage of the dwellinghouse being enlarged which is opposite the rear wall of that dwellinghouse;

Analysis: The proposed extension will not be more than a single storey, therefore i) and ii) do not need to be considered.

i) the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse would be within 2m of the boundary of the curtilage of the dwellinghouse, and the height of the eaves of the enlarged part would exceed 3m;

Analysis: The height of the eaves of the enlargement would not exceed 3m.

j) the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse would extend beyond a wall forming a side elevation of the original dwellinghouse, and would-

i) exceed 4m in height;

ii) have more than a single storey; or

iii) have a width greater than half the width of the original dwellinghouse; or

(ja) any total enlargement (being the enlarged part together with any existing enlargement of the original dwellinghouse to which it will be joined) exceeds or would exceed the limits set out in sub-paragraphs (e) to (j).

Analysis: The enlargement is to the rear and would not extent beyond a wall forming a side elevation of the original dwellinghouse.

k) it would consist of or include-

i) the construction or provision of a verandah, balcony or raised platform,

ii) the installation, alteration or replacement of a microwave antenna,

iii) the installation, alteration or replacement of a chimney, flue or soil and vent pipe, or

iv) an alteration to any part of the roof of the dwellinghouse.

Analysis: The patio does not exceed 0.3m in height and is not a raised platform.

(l) the dwellinghouse is built under Part 20 of this Schedule (construction of new dwellinghouses).

Analysis: The dwellinghouse has not been created by virtue of Part 20.

A.2 In the case of a dwellinghouse on article 2(3) land:-

a) it would consist of cladding of any part of the exterior of the dwelling house with stone, artificial stone, pebble dash, render, plastic or tiles.

b) the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse would extend beyond a wall forming a side elevation of the original dwellinghouse;

c) the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse would have more than a single storey and extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwelling house.

d) any total enlargement (being the enlarged part together with any existing enlargement of the original dwellinghouse to which it will be joined) exceeds or would exceed the limits set out in sub-paragraphs (b) and (c).

Analysis: The dwelling is not on article 2(3) land.

A.3 Development is permitted subject to:-

- a) materials must be of a similar appearance to those used in the construction of the exterior of the existing dwelling;
- b) any upper-floor windows located in a wall or roof slope forming a side elevation must be:-
 - i) obscured-glazed, and
 - ii) non-opening unless the parts of the window which can be opened are more than 1.7m above the floor of the room in which the window is installed.
- c) Where the enlarged part of the dwelling house has more than one storey or forms an upper storey on an existing enlargement of the original dwelling house the roof pitch of the enlarged part must so far as practicable be the same as the roof pitch of the original dwellinghouse.

Analysis: It is confirmed by the agent that the materials used will be similar in appearance.

Class F – hard surfaces incidental to the enjoyment of a dwellinghouse
Permitted development

F. Development consisting of—

- (a) the provision within the curtilage of a dwellinghouse of a hard surface for any purpose incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse as such; or
- (b) the replacement in whole or in part of such a surface.

Development not permitted

Development is not permitted by Class F if—

- (a) permission to use the dwellinghouse as a dwellinghouse has been granted only by virtue of Class M, N, P, PA or Q of Part 3 of this Schedule (changes of use);

Analysis: The dwellinghouse has not been created through change of use by virtue of Part 3.

- (b) the dwellinghouse is built under Part 20 of this Schedule (construction of new dwellinghouses).

Analysis: The dwellinghouse has not been created by virtue of Part 20.

Conditions

F.2 Development is permitted by Class F subject to the condition that where—

- (a) the hard surface would be situated on land between a wall forming the principal elevation of the dwellinghouse and a highway, and
- (b) the area of ground covered by the hard surface, or the area of hard surface replaced, would exceed 5 square metres, either the hard surface is made of porous materials, or provision is made to direct run-off water from the hard surface to a permeable or porous area or surface within the curtilage of the dwellinghouse.

Analysis: The hard surface is to the rear, therefore (a) and (b) need not to be considered.

Recommendation

Issue a Certificate of Lawfulness for Proposed Development, the submission of a planning application for the works will not be required.

Reasons for Recommendation

The proposal constitutes 'development' as defined by Section 55 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 but is permitted by Classes A and F of Part 1 Schedule 2 of Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015.

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