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Planning, Regeneration and Wellbeing

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Our Ref: ADC/0275/09

Date:19 August 2009

Dear Mr Fish,

RE: Proposed conversion of roof space including front dormer, 39 Thirlmere Crescent, Sompting.

In reference to the above planning application.

I have now had the opportunity to visit the site to view it with respect to the submitted proposals, and I feel that in principle the planning application is acceptable provided a couple of minor changes are made.

Front dormers are prevalent within the street and the proposal is modest in comparison to the existing roof plane. Given that the dwelling is semi-detached and the neighbouring property has already a front dormer, it is my opinion that the pair of bungalows should be as sympathetic with each other as possible.

The location of the proposed dormer would be directly above the ground floor bay which is I think as it should be, the neighbouring dormer appears less judiciously placed. However I do feel that the pair of semi's would be improved in appearance if the application dormer was to be the same height, and sited at the same point up the roof as that at No. 41. Additionally I think the dormer should have a flat roof to match the majority of those in the vicinity and the age of the property.

I would be grateful if you could mention my comments to your client, and if you are minded to make some amendments to the submitted planning application then please forward two copies of the plans for my attention no later than 02.09.09, after which time if none have been received the application will be determined on its current submission.

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Yours sincerely,

Carlos Hone
Planning Officer