Development Control – Delegated Officer Report

Application Number: AWDM/1725/20 **Recommendation – APPROVE**

Site: **Fishersgate House, 107B Gardner Road, Southwick**

Proposal: **Application for Certificate of Lawfulness for existing rear dormer and front rooflight**

Site visit: Y

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The property is a detached two storey house on the south side of Gardner Road. It has very recently been completed, having been built following the grant of planning permission AWDM/1896/19. That permission included the following condition:

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning General Permitted Development Order 2015 (or any order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification), the proposed dwelling shall not be extended or altered by means of any development as set out within Classes A, D, E and F of Part 1 of the Schedule to that Order.

The application seeks a Certificate of Lawfulness for a rear dormer and front rooflights that have been constructed. These were not shown on the approved plans for the house. However, it should be noted that the condition above did not prevent future roof extensions and alterations.

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, as amended.

Consideration

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

Class B The enlargement of a dwellinghouse consisting of an addition or alteration to its roof

B.1 Development is not permitted by Class B if:-

a) The dwellinghouse has been granted only by virtue of Class M, N, P, PA or Q.

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

b) The height of the roof extension would exceed the highest part of the existing roof;

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

(c) the roof extension would extend beyond the plane of any existing roof slope which forms the principal elevation of the dwelling house and fronts a highway;

Analysis: the roof extension is on the rear elevation

(d) the cubic content of the resulting roofspace would exceed the cubic content of the original roof by more than:-
i) 40 cubic metres in the case of a terrace house, or
ii) 50 cubic metres in any other case.

Analysis: The cubic content of the enlargement is 12.16m3

(e) it would consist of or include the roof extension does not include:-
i) a verandah, balcony or raised platform or
ii) the installation, alteration or replacement of a chimney, flue or soil and vent pipe;

Analysis: The development does not include any of the above

(f) the dwellinghouse is not on article 2(3) land

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

(g) 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.

B.2 Development is permitted subject to:-

(a) the materials used in any exterior work must be of similar appearance to those used in the construction of the exterior of the existing house;

Analysis: It was noted on site that the materials match those of the existing dwelling.

(b) the enlargement must be constructed so that:-

i) other than in the case of a hip-to-gable enlargement which joins the original roof to the roof of a rear or side extension –

(aa) the eaves of the original roof are maintained or reinstated; and

(bb) the edge of the enlargement closest to the eaves of the original roof is so far as practicable not less than 0.2m from the eaves, measured along the roof slope from the outside edge of the eave, and

ii) other than in the case of an enlargement which joins the original roof to the roof of a rear or side extension no part of the enlargement extends beyond the outside face of any external wall of the original dwelling house.

Analysis: The eaves of the original roof are maintained and the edge of the dormer closest to the eaves of the original roof is so far as practicable not less than 0.2m from the eaves. No part of the dormer extends beyond the outside face of any external wall of the original dwellinghouse.

c) any window inserted on a wall or roof slope forming a side elevation of the dwelling house must be:-
i) obscure 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.

Analysis: N/A

Class C – Alterations to the roof of a dwelling house

C.1 Development is not permitted by Class C if:-

a) The dwellinghouse has been granted only by virtue of Class M, N, P, PA or Q.

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

b) The alteration would protrude more than 0.15m beyond the plane of the slope of the original roof when measured from the perpendicular with the external surface of the original roof;

Analysis: The rooflight does not project more than 150mm beyond the plane of the roofslope.

c) The height of the highest part of the alteration would exceed the highest part of the original roof;

Analysis: The rooflight does not exceed the highest part of the original roof;

(d) it would consist of or include:-
i) the installation, alteration or replacement of a chimney, flue or soil and vent pipe; or

ii) the installation, alteration or replacement of solar photovoltaics or solar thermal equipment.

Analysis: The development does not include any elements in i) or ii).

(e) 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.

C.2 Development is permitted subject to the condition that any window located on a roof slope forming a side elevation of the dwelling house must be:-

a) obscure-glazed, and
b) 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.

Analysis: N/A

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 Class B and C of Part 1 Schedule 2 of Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015.

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