Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 18/11/2025 2:14 PM from Mr Oliver Wright.

Application Summary

Address:	17 Berriedale Drive Sompting West Sussex BN15 0LE
Proposal:	Proposed single storey granny annexe in rear garden for family member
Case Officer:	Hannah Barker

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Customer Details

Name:	Mr Oliver Wright
Email:	
Address:	NAPC Watermoor Point Cirencester

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	On behalf of the National Annexe Planning Consultancy (NAPC), I write in support of planning application AWDM/1432/25 for the proposed single storey granny annexe in the rear garden at 17 Berriedale Drive, Sompting, West Sussex, BN15 0LE. NAPC is the national voice for ancillary and modular accommodation, with extensive experience advising on best practice and policy in this area. The proposed annexe is ancillary in nature, designed specifically to provide accommodation for a family member within the established residential curtilage. Such developments make efficient use of existing plots, supporting flexible and multigenerational living arrangements. This approach is increasingly recognised as a sustainable response to housing and care needs, offering an alternative to large-scale new development and helping families remain together. In reviewing the application, we note the single storey scale and siting within the rear garden, which should minimise any impact on neighbouring properties and maintain the character of the area. It is important that the annexe remains functionally and physically linked to the main dwelling, ensuring its use remains ancillary and not as a separate, independent unit. We encourage the local planning authority to consider conditions that reinforce this relationship, such as restricting separate sale or letting. We would also highlight the positive outcomes seen in jurisdictions such as Ireland and California, where supportive policies for ancillary accommodation have helped to alleviate housing pressures and provide greater choice for families. We encourage Adur & Worthing Councils to consider the inclusion of supportive annexe policies in future iterations of the local plan, reflecting the growing need for

flexible accommodation solutions.

For further information on the benefits and best practice relating to annexe accommodation, we invite you to visit https://napc.uk/annexe-support/. NAPC remains committed to supporting well-designed, ancillary accommodation that meets the needs of families and communities.