



TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

APPLICATION NO: 18/01806/FUL

DATE REGISTERED: 29th October 2018

Proposed Development and Location of Land:

**Proposed two bedroom bungalow.
6 Ladysmith Avenue Brightlingsea Colchester Essex**

THE TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL AS LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY **HEREBY REFUSE PLANNING PERMISSION** in accordance with the application form, supporting documents and plans submitted for the following reason(s)

- 1 The Government attaches great importance to the design of the built environment. Good design is a key aspect of sustainable development, is indivisible from good planning, and should contribute positively to making places better for people. One of the core planning principles of The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) as stated at paragraph 124 is to always seek to secure high quality design. The adopted Tendring District Local Plan (2007) "Saved" Policies QL9, QL10 and QL11 seek to ensure that all new development makes a positive contribution to the quality of the local environment and character, by ensuring that proposals are well designed, relate satisfactorily to their setting and are of a suitable scale, mass and form. These sentiments are carried forward in Policy SPL3 of the Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond Publication Draft (June 2017).

Policy HG13 (vii) of the Adopted 2007 Local Plan states that proposals for residential development of 'backland' sites will only be permitted if the proposal would not be out of character with the area or set a harmful precedent for other similar forms of development. These sentiments are echoed within Policy LP8 (f) of Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond Publication Draft (2017).

Whilst the surrounding area is heavily urbanised with a mixture of development to all sides, the development pattern is well defined and runs linear north to south along Ladysmith Avenue and north-east to south-west along Queen Street. There are no other examples of development situated behind these well-defined building lines. Given this, the siting of the proposed dwelling on this irregular plot would appear contrived, incongruous and out of character within this setting, resulting in a harmful form of development contrary to the above policies.

The pattern of development along this eastern section of Ladysmith Avenue is well defined by two storey properties. The proposed single storey bungalow will appear at

odds with this strong development pattern, to the detriment of the character of the surrounding area. Furthermore, in terms of the design of the dwelling itself, it has a contrived L-Shape appearance that again bears no relation to the surrounding development, and is considered cramped within its plot, ensuring it will not assimilate well within its surroundings.

The proposal therefore fails to accord with the above national and local policies.

DATED: 18th December 2018

SIGNED:

Catherine Bicknell

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Head of Planning

IMPORTANT INFORMATION :-

The local planning authority considers that the following policies and proposals in the development plan are relevant to the above decision:

- NPPF National Planning Policy Framework July 2018
- National Planning Practice Guidance
- Tendring District Local Plan 2007
- EN17 Conservation Areas
- HG1 Housing Provision
- HG3 Residential Development Within Defined Settlements
- HG9 Private Amenity Space
- HG13 Backland Residential Development
- HG14 Side Isolation
- QL1 Spatial Strategy
- QL9 Design of New Development
- QL10 Designing New Development to Meet Functional Needs
- QL11 Environmental Impacts and Compatibility of Uses
- TR1A Development Affecting Highways
- TR7 Vehicle Parking at New Development
- Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond Publication Draft (June 2017)
- LP1 Housing Supply

- LP4 Housing Layout
- LP8 Backland Residential Development
- PPL8 Conservation Areas
- SPL1 Managing Growth
- SPL2 Settlement Development Boundaries
- SPL3 Sustainable Design

Local Planning Guidance

Essex County Council Car Parking Standards - Design and Good Practice

Positive and Proactive Statement

The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by identifying matters of concern with the proposal and discussing those with the Applicant. However, the issues are so fundamental to the proposal that it has not been possible to negotiate a satisfactory way forward and due to the harm which has been clearly identified within the reason(s) for the refusal, approval has not been possible.

The attached notes explain the rights of appeal.

NOTES FOR GUIDANCE

WHEN PLANNING PERMISSION IS REFUSED OR GRANTED SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS

APPEALS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

- If you are aggrieved by the decision of your local planning authority to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- If you want to appeal, then you must do so within the set time frame as outlined below:
 - a. If this is a decision to refuse planning permission for a householder application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within **12 weeks** of the date of this notice. A **Householder Appeal Form** is required, available online at <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>
 - b. If this is a decision to refuse planning permission for a minor commercial application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within **12 weeks** of the date of this notice. A **Planning Appeal Form** is required, available online at <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>
 - c. If you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on a development which is not caught by a. and b. above then you must do so within **6 months** of the date of this notice. A **Planning Appeal Form** is required, available online at <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>
- Appeals must be made using the relevant form (as detailed above) which you can get from the Secretary of State at Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN (Tel: 0303 444 5000) or online at <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>. **Please note, only the applicant possesses the right of appeal.**
- The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.
- The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions imposed having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.
- In practice, the Secretary of State does not refuse to consider appeals solely because the local planning authority based its decision on a direction given by the Secretary of State.

ENFORCEMENT

- If this is a decision on a planning application relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as is already the subject of an enforcement notice, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on your application, then you must do so within 28 days of the date of this notice.
- If an enforcement notice is served relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as in your application and if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on your application, then you must do so within 28 days of the date of service of the enforcement notice, or within 6 months (12 weeks in the case of a householder or minor commercial appeal) of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier.