

BRIGHTWALTON PARISH COUNCIL
Extra Ordinary Meeting
Held on Monday 31st October 7pm at Green Farm

Present

Shaun Orpen	Chairman	Mike Cooper	Councillor
Sue Sayers	Councillor	Sarah Youldon	Clerk
Polly Swann	Councillor	Members of the Public:	6

Apologies

Jackie Boxall	Councillor	John Uttley	Councillor
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Introduction	
This was a two part meeting held at short notice to hear the concerns of the public on the planning application on Grey Tiles, Southend before the end of the consultation period. The owners attended the meeting at 8.30 to listen to the points that had been raised and give them the opportunity to address these concerns. The role of the Parish Council in the planning process was explained to all parties.	
Matters Arising	
<p>Planning Application 16/02608/HOUSE – Grey Tiles, Southend</p> <p>Proposal: ‘Two Storey and First Floor Extension’</p> <p>Concerns were raised by Parishioners relating to 4 main points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An incorrect block plan, showing the neighbouring garden boundaries incorrectly. - The possible reduction in sunlight to the neighbouring properties. - The increased ridge height and going forward the precedent that this sets for future applications. - The size of the extension in relation to the original footprint of the property. <p>The Parishioners reported that when the properties were originally built in Southend in 1961 the roof heights were kept in line with the old thatched farmhouse (Orchard Farm) which lead to the creation of bungalows. This ensuring that the skyline was not affected by the building of these properties on the ridge, especially as Southend is thought to be one of the higher points on the Downs in the AONB.</p> <p>The PC themselves had no objections, other than to raise the question of whether the proposal was within the percentage increase allowance over the original property. The Parishioners were asked what improvements could be made to the plans to make them more acceptable, these were then fed back to the owners for their considerations. The PC suggested that the parties concerned discussed their thoughts directly together.</p> <p>The owners advised that the design objective had been to deliver against their requirements in an as sympathetic way as possible given the neighbouring properties and the surrounding area.</p> <p>The PC returned a verdict of no objections, with 4 points for the Planning Officer to consider / look into further. S Youldon to submit the response. The full PC response, together with all the documents and other consultation responses are available to view on the WBC planning website:</p> <p>http://planning.westberks.gov.uk/rpp/index.asp?caseref=16/02608/HOUSE</p>	SY

The next meeting will be held on 21st November at 8.00 pm