Proposed Extension at 21 Brinkworth Road, Chippenham, SN14 0TL

Design and Access Statement

Introduction

This statement is to support a planned application on behalf of Mr and Mrs Peter and Eleanor Wheeler for a two-storey extension with associated internal alterations to provide additional space and improve the natural circulation within their house. Mr and Mrs Wheeler enjoy living in 21 which is within a late 20th Century housing development but with an expanding family have found that they would prefer a bit more space with an improved room arrangement.

These proposals are simply to build a first floor over the existing double garage in a similar style to the existing and make habitable use of part of the garage. Whilst this takes away one parking space there is still ample space for four cars to park within the garage and drive.

The property is currently and will continue to be used as a family dwelling house.





Views of the front





Views of the rear

Design Proposal

As previously stated, the application seeks consent for a simple rectangular extension to be built over the existing double garage to provide more first floor space to maintain four

generous bedrooms plus an additional study and shower room. At ground floor level part of the garage is to be converted to gain enough space for a music room and to simplify existing plan arrangements for a larger kitchen/dining room and generally create a more generous feeling of space throughout.

The main principle of the plan is to retain four bedrooms but re-arrange the first floor to allow for access to the new extension and re-organize rooms into a logical and simple plan form yet offer more generous space in each. At ground floor level the proposal is to use part of the garage for a music room large enough to contain a grand piano, adjust internal walls to offer a larger kitchen/dining room, move the cloakroom to allow access to the garage and to open the entrance for a more generous naturally illuminated space.

Generally, the external existing facades are intended to remain as untouched as possible with the extension simply to echo and extend the existing design sympathetically. Additional solar panels are proposed as part of the extension roof and a heat pump installed to replace the gas fired system.

Statement of Significance

There are no listed buildings within the local area.

Access

Pedestrian and vehicular access arrangements remain unchanged.

Conclusion

The proposed extension, as previously stated, is to provide an extension over the existing garage and provide a more balanced plan form to retain the four-bedroom house yet provide more generous spaces. It is relatively modern in form to continue the existing traditional house and intended to allow for a larger kitchen/dining and music room yet gain more light into all rooms especially the entrance area.

It is therefore considered that these extension proposals are restrained and sympathetic to the existing buildings and their surroundings.