

Design and Access Statement

Proposed Log Cabin, 49 White Street, West Lavington, SN10 4LP

Introduction

This statement supports an application for the erection of a timber log cabin within the rear garden of 49 White Street, West Lavington. The cabin is proposed as ancillary accommodation associated with the main dwelling and will provide independent living space for my family member [REDACTED]. Having this cabin will provide them with some independence within the ground of the home [REDACTED]. This cabin will be a lifeline to applicant [REDACTED].

The cabin can also be used in the future for a carer if required.

Design

The proposed cabin has been carefully selected to sit comfortably within the residential garden setting. The building will be constructed using natural timber cladding with anthracite grey doors, windows and roof finishes. These materials have been chosen to provide an attractive appearance and to complement the surrounding area.

The cabin is designed to have a low visual impact and will be positioned within the rear garden. Following discussions with the adjoining neighbour, the cabin has been relocated further from the shared boundary to reduce any impact on neighbouring views and amenity.

Access

The cabin will be accessed from the existing dwelling via the established garden area. I have submitted car parking in the plans to meet highway regulations.

Environmental Considerations

The structure will use a low-impact foundation system based on ground screws, minimising ground disturbance. The cabin can be dismantled and removed in the future if required, allowing the site to be restored with minimal impact on the land. The proposal will not require the removal of any trees or hedges.

Conclusion

The proposed log cabin is a modest and well-designed addition to the property. It will provide suitable accommodation within the garden while respecting neighbouring amenity and the character of the area. The proposal has been designed to minimise environmental impact and will support the future needs of the applicant's family. The applicant is happy that a condition be added to an approval which binds the cabin to the main house as ancillary accommodation, preventing it from being used independently and forming a separate dwelling which would be unacceptable in this location.

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