

Wellington Heath Parish Council

13 Sept 2017

To HCC Planning Mrs G Webster
Copy EPJ Harvey

Planning application 172441 - Myrtle Cottage, Church Lane, Wellington Heath,

Dear Madam,

We have received additional information from the applicant and his architect which resolves issues we raised in our letter of 1 Aug 2017.

1. The plan follows the Lifetime Homes standard; the future installation of a lift is feasible in the patio area adjacent to the stairwell if required, access could be through knock out panels in the ground floor walls.
2. A soft shrub boundary is proposed as a safety barrier to control roof access.
3. Rubble-stone sandstone which is consistent with the vernacular is proposed for the stonework and in particular for the chimney.

We note that there is limited space for a sewage treatment facility below the proposed property and seek your assurance that the sewage treatment arrangements will be satisfactory.

As you know we are concerned about the recent preponderance of large 4 bedroom planning applications. This one is for 3 bedrooms; we are pleased to see a design of architectural merit suited to changing lifetime needs and older people which is consistent with our draft NDP policy WH4, and would not wish to see that aspect diminished, e.g. in favour of an extra bedroom.

Whilst this proposal is outside our proposed NDP settlement boundary and away from the centre of the village we acknowledge that it has architectural merit.

C F Rozelaar
Chair of Wellington Heath parish council planning committee