

Beckford Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting on Thursday 7TH October 6.30pm

Held in the Committee Room at Beckford Village Hall

Attendees:

Councillors Spice, Worrall & Colvin, 5 parishioners

Apologies: Councillor Mantle

The following application was discussed:

Application No.	Application	Details
21/01809/HP	Sycamores Main Street Beckford Tewkesbury GL20 7AD	Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling, erection of new detached hobby room and landscaping.

1. The chairman asked if there were any declarations of interest in the property. There were none.
2. The property is located inside the Beckford Conservation Area. The application erroneously stated that it was not. Because of its location Council would be forwarding the following comments to the Planning Department:
 - a. The architecture of the proposal is not sympathetic with the existing buildings adjacent or opposite to it. The adjacent houses are specifically mentioned in the Beckford Conservation Area Appraisal document (BCAA) as 'being of their time'.
 - b. Whilst Council would concur that the existing building is 'tired and dilapidated' it feels it could be returned to a more vibrant state as has been achieved by the owners of Chestnut Grove, the house next door.
 - c. In discussion with parishioners, it seems that buff bricks were used to construct these houses and also set back from the road with trees planted in the front to make them less intrusive. It is noted that much of these trees and vegetation have been removed by the new owners of Sycamores. It would seem from the proposal that they intend to plant new trees.?
 - d. The extension will be much larger than the current house and will close off some of the 'open spaces' between the houses that the BCAA comments on in the document as being very noticeable in Beckford.
5. Concern that the rear of the extension as currently planned will mean a loss of privacy for adjacent properties.

Meeting closes at 7.30pm