HOUSEHOLDER PLANNING APPLICATION REPORT Ref No. F/15/76070

DESCRIPTION	Single storey rear extension
ADDRESS	29 Monks Brook Close Eastleigh SO50 9NQ

SITE VISIT DATE	01/04/2015
ARE PLANS ACCURATE?	YES
HAVE ALL NECESSARY NEIGHBOURS BEEN CONSULTED?	YES

THE SITE AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF APPLICATION	Single Storey rear extension following removal of existing conservatory. The extension will project 3.5 metres from the rear of the original dwelling with a double gable pitched roof containing rooflights.
TOPOGRAPHY	Fairly flat and level site
TREES	No trees will be affected by the proposal.
BOUNDARY TREATMENT	Combination of brick wall and fencing to a maximum height of 2 metres.
SITE CHARACTERISTICS	Detached bungalow with pyramid roof. To the side is a driveway which leads to a large rear garden and detached outbuilding.
CHARACTER OF LOCALITY	Residential area. Quiet Cul-de-sac comprising detached one and two storey properties.

RELEVANT PLANNING HISTORY

REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION	DECISION
None		

REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED

SOURCE	SUMMARY OF CONTENT
None	

CONSULTATION RESPONSES

CONSULTEE	SUMMARY OF RESPONSE
None	

POLICY CONTEXT

DESIGNATION APPLICABLE TO SITE
Within Built-up Area Boundary Within Established Residential Area Within Solent Mitigation & Disturbance Zone

DEVELOPMENT PLAN SAVED POLICIES, EMERGING LOCAL PLAN POLICIES AND SPD'S

Eastleigh Borough Local Plan Review (2001-2011), saved policy 59.BE

Submitted Eastleigh Borough Local Plan 2011 - 2029, July 2014, (the Submitted Local Plan) comprising:

- Revised Pre-submission Eastleigh Borough Local Plan 2011 - 2029, published February 2014; and
- Schedule of Proposed Minor Changes, submitted to the Secretary of State in July 2014' Policy /DM1

Supplementary Planning Guidance : Quality Places
Supplementary Planning Guidance: Residential Parking Standards

CHARACTER APPRAISAL AREA

Eastleigh Character Area ELAC 23

SPECIAL POLICY AREA

Not within a Special Policy Area

NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY GUIDANCE

National Planning Policy Framework highlights that good design is a key aspect of sustainable development, is indivisible from good planning, and should contribute positively to making places better for people" (para 56) and goes on to state that decisions should aim to ensure that developments will function well and add to the overall quality of the area, not just for the short term but over the lifetime of the development (para 58).

POLICY COMMENTARY

The above policies and guidance combine to form the criteria against which this application will be assessed with particular regard to residential amenity, highway matters, trees, street scene and character of the area

COMMENT ON CONSULTATION RESPONSES

None received	X	See below		

COMMENT ON REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED

	None received	X	See below		

PLANNING OBLIGATION/CONSIDERATIONS

Not applicable

ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSAL

DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND/OR LEGISLATIVE BACKGROUND

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Section 38(6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 states:-

"If regard is to be had to the development plan for the purpose of any determination to be made under the planning Acts the determination must be made in accordance with the plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise."

MATERIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Policy 59.BE of the Local Plan requires development to take full and proper account of the context of the site including the character and appearance of the locality and be appropriate in mass, scale, materials, layout, design and siting. It also requires a high standard of landscape design, have a satisfactory means of access and layout for vehicles, cyclist and pedestrians, make provision for refuse and cycle storage and avoid unduly impacting on neighbouring uses through overlooking, loss of light, loss of outlook, noise and fumes.

Principle: The application site lies within the urban edge and within an established residential area where the principle of development is acceptable, with any formal approval being dependant on the details and impacts of the proposal being considered acceptable, as set out below.

Layout/design: The single storey rear extension is considered to be sympathetic to the existing property and the character of the locality due to its appropriate size siting and design.

The site is considered to retain a good sized garden therefore the proposals are not considered to result in the overdevelopment of the plot.

Residential Amenity: There would not be an unacceptable impact to neighbouring properties by way of a loss of light, outlook, overbearing impact or overlooking due to its appropriate size, siting and design.

Street Scene/Character of Area: The proposed development is located to the rear of the property where it will not be visible from the street. The proposal is therefore not considered to have a detrimental impact on the street scene or the wider character of the area.

Nature conservation : *The proposal is not considered to result in a likely significant impact on a European Protected site (SPA,SAC or Ramsar). HRA (Habitat Regulations Assessment) screening was not required for this development.*

The development complies with the requirements of Policy 59.BE.

OTHER MATERIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Also of relevance is the Submitted Eastleigh Borough Local Plan 2011 - 2029, July 2014. While not yet adopted it does carry weight by virtue of being intended as the current local plan's replacement. With regards to this application, the new policies essentially echo those of the current plan and are not considered to affect the recommendation put forward.

CONCLUSION

The application is recommended for approval.