

H/26/101418 – 168 Church Road, Bishopstoke, SO50 6DS.

Context.

Situated at the north end of a terrace of cottages where the ground starts to fall away to the north, this site is some 450m north of the most northerly tip of the Bishopstoke Conservation Area. There are however two listed buildings reasonably close by; Stoke Lodge down a 100m driveway over to the north-west and Weymouth House No. 148 Church Road at the opposite end of the terrace plus a pair of semis.

The Proposal.

The proposed structure is for an over-sized single garage that is more akin to a mid-American hay barn than traditional forms from this country and is therefore out of context in this situation, more particularly as the ground falls away from it to the north increasing its exposure and impact. It will too cast an unnecessarily large shadow later in the day over its neighbour in No.170 in the small amount of rear garden it possesses which is level with the proposed structure.

No reasoning is provided for the need for an industrial sized garage in this position which looks all the bigger for being adjacent to what is admittedly a tight-looking single garage belonging to the neighbour, and no attempt has been made to reduce the impact by lowering the ground for example.

Conclusion.

The proposal as it stands introduces an unnecessarily large alien form amongst small domestic properties, which will overshadow one neighbour. Holding objection.

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