

Woodpeckers

Blind Lane
Southampton
SO30 2HJ

Planning Department

Eastleigh Borough Council
Eastleigh House
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Eastleigh
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Subject: Planning Application Support Statement – Proposed extension at Woodpeckers, Blind Lane

Dear Planning Officer,

I am writing in support of my planning application for the proposed extension (granny annexe) at Woodpeckers, Blind Lane, Southampton.

The primary purpose of this application is to provide accommodation for my elderly parents, allowing them to live independently while remaining close to family support. As my parents grow older, it is becoming increasingly important that they have suitable accommodation that enables them to maintain their independence whilst having access to day-to-day assistance and care when required.

The proposed annexe is intended solely as a family dwelling for my mother and father and is not designed or intended to be used as a separate commercial property or independent dwelling for sale or rental. Its purpose is to provide safe, comfortable and accessible accommodation within the curtilage of the family home, enabling us to support their wellbeing and future care needs.

Having my parents living adjacent to our family home will provide numerous benefits, including:

- Allowing them to retain their independence in a familiar and secure environment.
- Enabling immediate support from family members should assistance be required.
- Reducing the need for future external care arrangements.
- Supporting their health, wellbeing and quality of life as they get older.
- Strengthening family connections through multi-generational living.

The proposal has been designed with this family need in mind and represents a long-term solution that will allow my parents to remain close to their family network while continuing to live independently.

I respectfully ask the Council to take these personal circumstances and the clear family need for the accommodation into account when considering this application.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this application. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Katie Brown

Woodpeckers, Blind Lane
Southampton