

Planning Application – 20/00462/FUL The Lincoln, New Road, Terling

Thank you Madam Chairman and Councillors for taking the time to listen to my statement.

I speak on behalf of Terling residents regarding the above planning application.

After speaking to a number of residents and taking into account the local area, infrastructure and proposed plans, along with my extensive knowledge of the area, I would like to make a recommendation this application is **not** approved.

Assessing the plans, and the site, this is an over development of the current footprint. There is a concern there will not be adequate off road parking provided as there has only been two/three off road parking spaces per dwelling allowed within the proposal. In a 4 or 5 bedroom home, one would expect this to be at least three or four spaces. There is very limited frontage within the plans, thus not in keeping with its surrounding properties which have green areas and room for natural habitation. Parking also impacts on the school which is in close proximity, as parking for the two new properties will over spill on what is already a very busy school road, causing a direct safety risk to the Children attending the school with limited crossing points, and restriction of sight when crossing the road.

There is insufficient supply of bungalows in the village of Terling, and the proposal is the demolition of a bungalow to erect two, two story homes (four and five bedrooms). Whilst there is not a general opinion of objection to one dwelling being agreed, to have two of this size on this size plot is not in keeping with the other properties and sites within Terling. As a compromise it would be my recommendation the applicant offer a smaller three bedroom dwelling along with a small bungalow which would meet the demand of the village needs. Many people are out priced when looking for a home in Terling as it is lacking smaller homes which would be ideal for first time buyers, small families or people looking to retire. If we keep developing bungalows into large detached homes where are we all going to live when we retire and reach our prime old age, and need a single story, more manageable home?

As you are most likely aware, Terling is a very small rural village with limited amenities. The proposed plans are more fitting for a town rather than the village of Terling. Terling currently offers spacious surroundings and wide open spaces, not dwellings built in such close proximity with limited garden and areas for our natural habitat.

Thank you again for your time

Kind regards

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