

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT FOR PROPOSED ANNEXE

Yew Tree Cottage, Tismans Common, Horsham, RH12 3BJ

Justification Statement

The proposed annexe is intended to provide ancillary residential accommodation for the elderly parents of the owner of the main dwelling. The accommodation will enable them to live close to their family whilst maintaining an appropriate degree of independence, allowing ongoing family support and care as their needs evolve. The annexe will remain functionally linked to the main dwelling and is not intended to operate as a separate dwellinghouse. The proposal is specifically designed to facilitate multigenerational family living and to provide suitable accommodation for the owner's parents in a safe and familiar environment.

Size and Number of Bedrooms

The size and layout of the annexe have been carefully considered to provide accommodation that is suitable for the day-to-day needs of the intended occupants. The proposed bedroom arrangement, together with the necessary living, kitchen and bathroom facilities, provides comfortable accommodation whilst remaining subordinate in scale to the principal dwelling. The accommodation is proportionate to its intended use and has not been designed to create an independent market dwelling. Rather, its size reflects the practical requirements of providing comfortable accommodation for the owner's elderly parents.

Intended Occupants

The annexe will be occupied solely by the elderly parents of the owner of the main dwelling. Its purpose is to allow them to remain close to family members who can provide regular assistance, support and companionship, while still benefiting from a degree of privacy and independence. The annexe will not be sold separately from the main dwelling, nor used as an independent dwelling, holiday accommodation, or rental property. It will remain ancillary to the main house at all times.

Conclusion

The proposed annexe is justified by the family's need to accommodate the owner's elderly parents in close proximity to the main dwelling. The scale, design and accommodation provided are appropriate to this purpose and ensure that the annexe remains ancillary to the primary residence. The proposal will support family care arrangements and provide suitable accommodation for the occupants without creating a separate residential unit.