

Cottenham Village Design Group

Planning application comments

S/2087/06/F

Gravel Diggers Farm, Long Drove, Cottenham – Change of Use of Agricultural Barn to Light Industrial

We support this application which allows development of a local business while retaining the larger part of this barn for agricultural use.

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The Curry Palace, 215 High Street, Cottenham – Extension and first Floor Flat

The Design Group supports this application as it allows development of a local business and proposes an extension which is in-keeping with the current building and its location. We welcome the changes made since the previous application (S/1543/06/F) which simplify and reduce the bulk of the proposed extension; this is now more in-line with outbuildings traditionally found along the edge of plots in Cottenham High Street. We are also pleased to see the extract system accommodated within the building.

We would expect that appropriate and high quality materials would be specified in this central Conservation Area location.

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'Use good quality materials appropriate to Cottenham.' (Design Statement p.23)

Applications viewed by Steven Poole and Katherine Heydon, 23rd November 2006.