Cottenham Village Design Group

Planning application comments

S/2215/07/F

Willow House, 101 Rampton Road, Cottenham – Extensions

We have no comment on this application.

S/2281/07/F

Land R/O 3 Bramley Close, Cottenham – Change of use of agricultural land to garden land

This proposal involves land outside of the village framework and which is designated as part of the Cambridge Green Belt. The Design Group would wish to ensure that restrictions are maintained to prevent the future erection of any building on this land.

'The village framework at the southern edge is defined by the Cambridge Green Belt which is important for maintaining the separation of Histon from Cottenham.' (Cottenham Village Design Statement p.4)

'L/3: Do not form a stark edge to the village, or spoil the outside view by neglecting the backs of gardens or buildings. Shelter and contain the edge using appropriate native broadleaf species. Achieve well-designed compositions using hedge and woodland screens.' (Design Statement p.6)

S/2283/07/F

13 Woodlark Drive, Cottenham – Extension

We have no comment on this application.

S/2327/07/F

11 Telegraph Street, Cottenham – Extension and new roof over existing garage

This development will replace fragmented and low quality extensions with more sympathetic and cohesive accommodation while only marginally increasing the building's footprint. Locally appropriate brick and slate are specified as well as some re-use of existing tiles.

'B/4: Extensions should remain in scale with the original building and are usually most successful when matching materials are specified.' (Cottenham Village Design Statement p.19)

'B/2: Buildings should be maintained using original or sympathetic materials and details. Roof lights should be located carefully, preferably where they are not visible from the street.' (Design Statement p.18)

S/2404/07/F

13 Millfield, Cottenham - Extensions

This application is supported with high quality plans and drawings which make it easier to visualise this complex extension. Appropriate matching materials are specified.

'B/4: Extensions should remain in scale with the original building and are usually most successful when matching materials are specified.' (Cottenham Village Design Statement p.19)

'B/7: The appointment of architects ... is encouraged for all developments.' (Design Statement p.19)

Applications viewed by Steven Poole and Alexander Thoukydides, 21st December 2007.

All quoted text is taken from the recently adopted Cottenham Village Design Statement, Supplementary Planning Document: http://www.cvdg.org/design-statement-2007.pdf