Cottenham Village Design Group

Planning application comments

S/1129/08/F

64 Rampton Road, Cottenham – Dropped Kerb

We have no comment on this application.

S/1149/08/F

23 Harlestones Way, Cottenham – Conservatory

We have no comment on this application.

S/1189/08/F

3 Elm Barns, Cottenham – Change of Use of Agricultural Land to Garden Land

The proposed garden extension 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/1204/08/LB

3 Elm Barns, Cottenham – Alterations to Outbuilding - Installation of 4 Rooflights

The proposed rooflights are well located to the rear of the outbuilding, facing away from the listed building. These alterations will involve minimal loss of fabric.

'B/2: Roof lights should be located carefully, preferably where they are not visible from the street. In more sensitive sites, roof lights should be mounted flush with the roof and the number of openings minimised.' (Cottenham Village Design Statement p.18)

S/1192/08/F

29 Denmark Road, Cottenham – Extension

We support replacement of the existing workshop and utility extension with a new structure built with locally appropriate materials; brick, slate and black weatherboarding. These materials are well specified. However, we suggest that the proposed design may be inappropriate for this building in this Conservation Area location due to its rather dominant and modern-looking appearance.

'B/4: Extensions should remain in scale with the original building and are usually most successful when matching materials are specified. Avoid dominant or bulky additions to existing buildings. Setting back walls or lowering the roofline of extensions can help to reduce apparent bulk.' (Cottenham Village Design Statement p.19)

'B/2: Buildings should be maintained using original or sympathetic materials and details. The style and materials used for replacement doors and windows should match those of the original building.' (Design Statement p.18)

S/1217/08/F

28 Lee Close, Cottenham – Part demolition of garage and Extension

We have no comment on this application.

Applications viewed by Steven Poole and Alexander Thoukydides, 20th July 2008.

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