

Cottenham Village Design Group

Planning application comments

S/0729/10/F

18 Lyles Road, Cottenham – Extensions

We have no comment on this application.

S/0818/10/F

71 High Street, Cottenham – Extension

This small extension sits neatly between the existing dwelling and outbuildings; the lower roofline and specification of appropriate matching gault brick and slate ensure the extension blends well with the existing buildings along this plot boundary.

'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/0833/10/F

Land to the South-east of 34 Stevens Close, Cottenham – Erection of dwelling

We support the development of this under-used car parking facility to meet the urgent social housing need described. The proposed dwelling, although uninteresting, is acceptable in this location.

'B/1: Encouragement will be given to well-designed buildings on appropriate infill plots.' (Cottenham Village Design Statement p.18)

'B/6: New developments should acknowledge their Cottenham context and avoid pattern-book designs. Respect local characteristics and context of the particular site. Use good quality materials – whether modern or traditional – which are appropriate to Cottenham.' (Design Statement p.19)

Applications viewed and comments prepared on behalf of Cottenham Village Design Group by Steven Poole and Patrick Clark, 13th June 2010. All quoted text is taken from the Cottenham Village Design Statement, Supplementary Planning Document: <http://www.cvdg.org/design-statement-2007.pdf>. Comments are based solely on the principles and guidelines set out in this document.