

Submission Re: Quill Cottage Ref:20/01083

By: Claire Jones Inkpen Parish Councillor

Support:

- No objections filed on WB Planning website
- Immediate Neighbours and Craven Road residents do not object to this application
- Inkpen Parish Council Support by a majority: 7 Councillors; 4 Support 2 Object 1 No response (The June submission made on behalf of the PC is in question)
- This is not a 'development' this is a family who contribute considerably to this community and want to have a family home in a village they want to live in. They engage in this community by volunteering and getting involved which is essential for any community and is sadly not as 'usual' as one might hope.

Impact:

- There will be minimal impact on the open space, countryside and footpaths concerned. As a resident of over 20 years, a dog walker and one who is keen to maintain open spaces and uses the two footpaths in question at least 6 times a week I can reassure the committee that the impact of this proposed house will be minimal.
- The houses either side have a far greater impact on the AONB and open space views from the footpath behind Quill Cottage than this house will. The photos presented in the reports I would suggest are misleading and you need to visit the site to fully understand how little these plans will impact on the AONB and open space compared to the existing houses along this stretch of Craven Road.
- The neighbours and those residents who I have spoken to feel that this will be an improvement on the current bungalow.
- There are dormer windows all along Craven Road. Vale Farm next door to Quills is surrounded by dormer windows
- The design has taken into consideration the Inkpen Design Statement and is consistent with other houses built recently in Inkpen and the surrounding villages.
- If the planning department do not agree with the materials being proposed the family are prepared to work with them to make changes to the exterior.
- This house is being built with a view to sustainability which is essential for our future environment.
- It is very unlikely that whomever owns this bungalow and plot would keep this run down, unattractive 70's bungalow hence the support for this application which is sympathetic to its surroundings, its neighbours and the village as a whole.
- Better to support a planning application which has the support of its community than to be faced in the future by a development which is not and will no doubt push the planning department to its limits.

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