

Walberswick Parish Council

Planning Consultation Response

Reference: DC/22/4246/FUL

Address: Admirals House, The Street, Walberswick, IP18 6UE

Deadline: 9th February 2023

Considered at meeting: Delegated Authority

Extension granted until: N/A

Extension granted by and date: N/A

Opinion of the Parish Council:

On 09/11/2022 The Parish Council sent a report to East Suffolk Council which set out its reasons for recommending refusal of the above application.

However subsequent to that report, the Parish Council notes that an Updated Plan has been submitted in respect of the same application, which includes a fence to the full length of the boundary between the property and The Street.

Since the fence indicated on the plan already exists, the Parish Council considers it ought to be considered as a Retrospective Application and not as an Updated Plan and therefore requires a new Application.

Were such a retrospective Application to be submitted the Parish Council would recommend refusal.

Reasons

Admiral House lies in the heart of the Walberswick Conservation Area, indeed the CA Appraisal for this area of The Street is indicated as having 'Important Views'.

The fence in question is of woven wicker and is some thirty metres in length, some two metres in height and sits on a bank approximately one metre high which brings the top of the fence to more than three metres above the road level. It is an overpowering and alien presence (not helped by a plywood screen between the brick gateposts.)

The Local Plan guidance states that additions should enhance a Conservation Area. In the view of the Parish Council this does not do so.

CC'ed: Chair of Walberswick Parish Council; District Councillor representing Walberswick; Administrator for Planning Advisory Group.

Response Received:

