Calne Without Parish Council

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Wiltshire Council
By email to developmentmanagement@wiltshire.gov.uk

15th September 2020

Dear Mrs Pratt,

20/04017/FUL Proposed play equipment constructed out of wood with a sandpit, den, climbing wall and picnic table.

Avon Rise, Norley Lane, Studley, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11 9LN

Thank you for consulting the Council on the revised plans for this retrospective planning application.

Calne Without Parish Council considered the revised plans for the above planning application at its meeting on 15th September 2020 and resolved to maintain its objection to the application on the same grounds as before:

The Parish Council believes that the proposal is still contrary to saved policy C3 of the North Wiltshire Local Plan 2011 parts i) and iii).

The size, scale, design and siting of the structure pays no respect to the rural location and the location of the property within a row of dwellings. The structure is considered to be too large and high for the location and is sited on land that rises away from the back of the property giving it an even more elevated position above the adjacent property. The addition of roofs to the walkways only emphasises the impact of the structure.

The development creates unacceptable loss of privacy and amenity for the adjacent dwelling. The development is sited very close to the shared boundary which is less than 1.4 metres away and extending to a height of over 2.75 metres with platforms and walkways at heights of 1.3 and 2 metres. The loss of privacy from overlooking and the loss on amenity from noise emanating from an elevated position makes the development unacceptable in the Parish Council's view. The proposed walkway roof will not stop the noise and the structure is still the same height and will allow overlooking.

The Parish Council did not consider the planting of pleached hornbeam an acceptable mitigation to the overlarge size and scale of the development and its siting at the highest point in the garden adjacent to the neighbouring property boundary. It does not consider that the walkway roofs an acceptable mitigation to the to this aspect of the objection either.

Therefore, despite the revised plans, the Parish Council asks that for the reasons stated above the planning application be refused.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Glen

