

The unit is expected to be used by family members (as it provides additional bedrooms) as an integral part of the overall use of the property as a single dwelling. It will share services (electricity, internet, etc.), facilities and access with the house (via existing doors to house lounge, house hallway/toilet, house kitchen, house front-door, and house storage/drying room/garage). In particular, shared meals for family members will benefit from being prepared in the larger kitchen of the house, and storage and drying areas sited in the house are absolutely essential. No new entrances will be created and all occupants will share the whole site.

My aging parents are expected to benefit from the care and support which family members provide. This includes taking shared meals together in the house, which affords important support, social interaction and cohesion.

I can confirm that I have no plans to move my parents into the unit, as we prefer they remain comfortable in the house for as long as we can care for them. As previously communicated, we have recently installed a chair-lift in the house for my Father to be able to continue to access the upstairs bedroom of the house.

I can confirm that I have no plans to accommodate non-family carers in the unit.

Having again attempted to call you and secure clarification of your phrase 'integral link', I wish to highlight the above social / caring / support elements enabled by the siting of the unit in close proximity to the house using the existing entrances. As explained to your colleague, I cannot find any reference to the term 'integral link' in planning guidance or policy documents. Please contact me, by return, if I have misunderstood your use of the phrase 'integral link' and you require information in addition to the above in order to grant my request for a Certificate of Lawfulness.

Many thanks in advance of your support.

Kind regards,

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Mark Ripley