

Havant Borough Council planning reference APP/19/00075

The Green Cottage, 23 Langstone High Street, PO9 1RY

Response to objection submitted 27.3.19.

Comments raised:

1. *'The nature and charm of the Green Cottage is going to be erased from this old listed building by adding such a mass of black slate on such a high pitch in a conservation area. If it is at all possible for the pitch to be reduced in height it will be a better solution for the open aspect of the conservation walker'*. The kitchen/family room slate roof proposed is drawn at a pitch of 25 degrees, a shallower roof pitch would appear modern and alien to the historic character of the Listed Building. If a plain clay tile roof was chosen the pitch would increase to a minimum of 40 degrees increasing height considerably. The removal of the flat roofed garage abutting the footpath will reduce the built frontage facing the Harbour to the benefit of walkers.

2. *'Although slate is used in the area none is used directly on the waterside or indeed this building'*. Slate is a traditional roofing material, for example Coastguard Cottages abutting the southern boundary of the application site.

3. *'If at all possible another material could be considered perhaps cedar tiles...it would be a prettier finish and more in keeping with the area and the old charming building itself'*. Cedar tile, or shingles, would introduce a material unfamiliar and detrimental to the historic character of the building.

4. *'This building is at the central focal point to the quaint village and to lose this charm is a great loss to society. I strongly appeal to you to oppose this planning application for the future of our picturesque beauty spot'*. The works proposed include the removal of unsympathetic features which detract from the building's significance as a heritage asset to the benefit of the historic character of the building and locality.

With respect, the scheme is worthy of support.

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