

Hello

Thank you for the notification that the application for 5a's largely completed works has formally been documented as lawful in its current as built form.

We would like to document our view of the development committee debate and subsequent rejecting of the officers recommendation of obscure glass.

It was apparent that those four members accepting the revised proposal for clear glazing considered (stated) their view that the current vegetation gave us privacy from overlooking and thus the obscure glazing was not a requirement.

We have taken the development committee comments and the decision to reject the officers recommendation of obscure glazing condition to be that both the planning officers and the development committee members accept that the vegetation is currently at a reasonable height for both 5a and 11c in terms of light and privacy:

We have thus taken time stamped photographs of the current heights (level with the flat roof of 5a's dormer) and general situation. (all vegetation in full 'bloom')

As you know the council will normally only get involved if 5a raise a case that the vegetation is too high; given the decision of the development committee effectively states a view from 5 is a higher priority than the privacy and enjoyment of the house and garden of 11c we feel it necessary to document the 'accepted height' of vegetation at the time of approval of the works.

Thank you for your responses to our questions in the last months regarding this application and also . as stated in the meeting, we welcomed the officers felt the obscure glazing would have 'limited' the overlooking and loss of privacy and enjoyment of our property

Unfortunately in our view this development committee decision emphasises the inconsistency of the planning system and rights of property owners in this vicinity.

*Regards*

*Stephen Percy*