APPLICATION NO PA/2010/1267

**APPLICANT** Mr S Ellis

**DEVELOPMENT** Planning permission to raise the roof of an existing bungalow to

create a two-storey dwelling

**LOCATION** Oakville, 5 Mill Lane, Westwoodside, Haxey

PARISH HAXEY

WARD Axholme South

SUMMARY Grant permission subject to conditions

**RECOMMENDATION** 

REASONS FOR REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE Objection by Haxey Parish Council

# **POLICIES**

Regional Spatial Strategy for Yorkshire and the Humber: No specific policies apply.

**North Lincolnshire Local Plan:** Policy DS1 (General Requirements) sets out the criteria against which all development proposals will be assessed and specifies that a high standard of design will be expected.

Policy DS5 (Residential Extensions) allows extensions to residential properties provided that the proposal does not unreasonably reduce sunlight or daylight, result in overshadowing, overbearing or loss of privacy to adjacent dwellings.

### **CONSULTATIONS**

**Highways:** No objections and no conditions requested.

### **PARISH COUNCIL**

Object to the proposal on the grounds that the property is set between two other bungalows and being a larger building will not fit in with the street scene and the alterations will be more than 20% of the existing building.

# **PUBLICITY**

Neighbours either side have been informed by letter. Both have written back in support of the proposal, one of which views the development as an improvement.

## **ASSESSMENT**

The proposal involves extensions to the roof and to the rear of an existing bungalow to provide additional living and kitchen accommodation at ground floor level and two additional bedrooms at first floor level. The site is within the development boundary for Westwoodside.

The properties either side are both bungalows but Mill Lane is set on a hillside, therefore the relative heights of properties rise to the north.

The main issues in determining this application are whether or not the scale of the extensions are in keeping with the street scene and whether the proposal detracts from the amenities of neighbouring properties.

The existing bungalow is approximately 5.1 metres in height at its highest point and is set amongst a group of similarly designed bungalows, although further north along Mill Lane the dwellings eventually become two-storey. The proposed extensions are to the main roof of the bungalow, which is raised to 5.8 metres, and an extension to the rear, which is approximately 6.8 metres at its highest point. Although rooms are provided at a first-floor level, the overall height of the property is more in keeping with a one-and-a-half-storey dwelling rather than a full two-storey property.

In relation to the increase in height of the property, the main part of the extension is to the rear of the dwelling, and whilst visible from the road above the roof of the existing bungalow, is not considered to be so significantly higher that it has a detrimental impact on the character of the street scene. In addition, as Mill Lane is set on a hill, the properties are higher in elevation when looking north. Therefore, the increase in height is not considered to be out of keeping against the backdrop of other properties that are higher in elevation.

With regard to the scale and design of the extensions, it is considered that the proposal is acceptable. The site is within the settlement boundary, wherein there is no specified policy restriction on the increase in size of a dwelling. The parish council have referred to the application as being greater than 20% of the size of the existing dwelling, however policy RD10, which refers to this figure, is only applied to extensions to dwellings in the open countryside and therefore cannot be used to assess the current proposal. It is considered that the position of windows and the overall scale of the development will not give rise to any overlooking, overshadowing or loss of light to properties either side, both of which have written in support of the proposal. The proposal is therefore considered to comply with the requirements of policies DS1 and DS5 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan and is recommended for approval.

## **RECOMMENDATION** Grant permission subject to the following conditions:

1.

The development must be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

#### Reason

To comply with section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

2.

The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: 21-100 A, 21-001, 90-002, 90-100, 20-100 A, 20-001.

#### Reason

For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.





