WELWYN HATFIELD COUNCIL
PLANNING CONTROL BOARD
6th APRIL 2000
REPORT OF THE CHIEF PLANNING OFFICER

PCB 06.04.00 PART I ITEM NO FOR DECISION CPO

N6/2000/280/FP
PROPOSED SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION
2 STANBOROUGH CLOSE, WELWYN GARDEN CITY

APPLICANT : WELWYN HATFIELD COUNCIL (Handside)

### 1.0 **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 The property is a semi-detached elderly persons bungalow situated with the Conservation Area of Welwyn Garden City and the junction of Stanborough Road.
- 1.2 The bungalow is located behind No 1 Stanborough Close with access being obtained via the communal footpath which serves the pair of semis.
- 1.3 The flank wall of the property is approximately 1.6 metres from the side boundary and garage of the adjacent semi-detached house at 14 Stanborough Road. The remaining boundary between these properties is a 1.5 metre high hedgerow. The other boundaries which enclosure the amenity area of the property consists of chain link fencing and hedging.

# 2.0 THE PROPOSAL

2.1 The proposal is for the erection of a single storey, hipped roof extension as part of the Council's programme to update and improve the current housing stock. Its measures 4.0 metre, by 4.6 metre in depth, with a ridge height of 4.0 metre.

## 3.0 MAIN PLANNING POLICIES

- 3.1 Welwyn Hatfield District Plan Alternations No 1 1998
  - Policy BEV 5, Welwyn Garden City
  - Policy BEV 10 Conservation Area
  - Res Criteria 22 Extensions to Dwelling

### 4.0 **REPRESENTATIONS**

4.1 The application has been publicised by means of direct neighbour notification by letter. To date no neighbour representations have been received.

# 5.0 **DISCUSSION**

- 5.1 The extension is a modest proposal discreetly located to the rear of the existing bungalow.
- 5.2 Because of the depth, limited height and distance from the closest neighbour, the direct impact of the extension on the amenities of that neighbour is limited.
- 5.3 The architectural design and materials are indicated to match those of the existing building and I am satisfied that the proposal would not detract from the character of the Welwyn Garden City Conservation Area.

# 6.0 **CONCLUSION**

6.1 I am of the opinion that the proposal would reflect the existing bungalow and have no adverse affect on the character or appearance of the Conservation Area.

# 7.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

7.1 I recommend that planning application N6/2000/280/FP is approved subject to the following condition :

SC01 - Standard Time Limit - Full Permission

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Planning Application: N6/2000/280/FP

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