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Sent: 04 October 2013 14:39
To: Planning
Subject: Council Office Extension reference N6/2013/1938/MA

Sir

I am writing to object to the proposed design of the Council Office Extension. I have looked at the plans and the supporting detail on the Council's website. My objections are based on the following issues.

As a resident I support and always uphold the design ethos of the town, especially in the Conservation area. The rules and guidelines about what one can and cannot do are very clear and I look to you as a Council to not only enforce them but also to comply with them yourselves. The design of the extension clearly does not accord with what should be even the bare minimum of what is required. There is nothing wrong with the design per se: it is just that it does not blend in either with the rest of the building or the adjacent buildings. I am very disappointed that the Council is not only seeking to take such a design forward but is doing so in breach of its own guidelines for the Conservation area.

The way in which the planning application has been handled also seems to depart from the standards and practices that I, as a resident, would have to follow and suggests a cynical disregard by the Council for following rules and guidelines.

I would therefore strongly suggest that the Planning Application is reviewed and a design more in keeping with the building itself, its surroundings and the rules for the Conservation area be adopted.

Eric Walsby
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