

APPLICATION NO: 15/00483/FUL		OFFICER: Miss Chloe Smart	
DATE REGISTERED: 20th March 2015		DATE OF EXPIRY : 15th May 2015	
WARD: St Marks		PARISH:	
APPLICANT:	Mrs G Martin		
LOCATION:	11 Oldfield Crescent, Cheltenham		
PROPOSAL:	Proposed bungalow, associated parking and landscaping		

REPRESENTATIONS

Number of contributors	2
Number of objections	1
Number of representations	1
Number of supporting	0

16 Hewlett Road
Cheltenham
Glos

Comments: 14th April 2015

Letter attached.

15 Oldfield Crescent
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL51 7BB

Comments: 26th March 2015

I have already submitted an objection to this application for 2 specific reasons

1. The crescent is an already busy road from the current home owners/tenants and with the access to the bungalow next to my driveway this will increase parking outside the front of my property which already causes problems for deliveries, refuse collection and should there be a need for emergency vehicles. In particular when cars part opposite the cul-de-sac. The road is used by the local children to play as well with more parked vehicles it can become dangerous.
2. The rear of the property is very close to my perimeter fence and should we wish to build over the garage at a later date this opportunity will be removed due to the single story bungalow. The back doors open right next to the fence as the plans have them without a decent gap, assuming this will also be the patio area - impacting on privacy.



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050315/Martin/BC
5 March 2015

Geraldine Martin, 11 Oldfield Crescent, Cheltenham
Application number: 14/01277/FUL

My constituent Ms Martin contacted me to discuss the issue of a planning application she had submitted for a bungalow in the back garden of 11 Oldfield Crescent. The garden is large and Ms Martin considered her proposal to be in keeping with the area, as there are bungalows only six doors away from her house. She also considered that, as the house opposite was in the process of building a five bedroom house with a two storey extension, her bungalow would certainly not concern her neighbours in comparison. Ms Martin understood that planning regulations are regularly updated and changed, but was aware that a historic manor house had been demolished in the crescent some years previously, and town houses built in its place. Even if the regulations had been significantly tightened since that redevelopment, Ms Martin was confident her plans would not be controversial.

Ms Martin wished to build the bungalow for her elderly mother to live in, providing her with a safe, single level property. Ms Martin unfortunately suffers from a degenerative bone disorder, and will need to live in a single level property herself eventually. This was therefore not a 'garden grabbing' exercise for a profit, but a sensible use of the land available, while still leaving a garden the same size, if not bigger than most new-build houses enjoy.

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Ms Martin contacted the planning department at the start of the application process and was told that a two storey building would not be accepted for her garden. If she had been told that in fact a single storey building would not be accepted either, Ms Martin could have saved herself a great deal of money in architects fees.

The application was rejected on 5 September. Ms Martin and her architect Russell Ranford are at a loss to understand the reasoning behind the decision. Having seen the plans and a map of the crescent, I confess the same bewilderment. I would very much welcome a conversation with you to discuss the details that led to this decision.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Martin'.

Martin Horwood MP
Member of Parliament for Cheltenham