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MR & MRS J SUMPTION

**ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION TO ABBEYWOOD HOUSE,
CHURCHINFORD**

322003/115624

FULL

PROPOSAL

The site consists of a detached property situated down a long drive within the Blackdown Hills AONB.

The proposal is for a single storey pitched roof extension to the rear, measuring 6.3 m x 6.3 m.

CONSULTATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

COUNTY HIGHWAY AUTHORITY no observations.

PARISH COUNCIL is strongly opposed to this application even though it is only for a single storey extension to the house. The reasons are as follows:- (i) it proposes a substantial increase to the 'footprint' of the house; (ii) the house is in an AONB; (iii) previous successful applications have allowed a large cattery building and a staff bungalow, together with the removal of a number of trees; (iv) the Council feels that this particular site is being expanded and developed in a manner which is inappropriate for its rural situation; (v) Abbeywood House is situated on one of the highest parts of the Blackdown Hills plateau and any further development would represent an unwarranted intrusion to the beauty and calm of this special place.

POLICY CONTEXT

Taunton Deane Local Plan Policies S1 – General Requirements, S2 – Design, H17 – House Extensions.

ASSESSMENT

The property has already been significantly extended with a two storey extension. The property is in a very rural position and not prominent upon the landscape. The proposal will not affect visual nor residential amenity and is considered acceptable.

RECOMMENDATION

Permission be GRANTED subject to conditions of time limit and materials.

REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION:- The proposal is considered not to have a detrimental impact upon visual or residential amenity and is therefore considered

acceptable and, accordingly, does not conflict with Taunton Deane Local Plan Policies S1, S2 and H17.

In preparing this report the Planning Officer has considered fully the implications and requirements of the Human Rights Act 1998.

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