

# PLANNING APPLICATION

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## Comments to SODC close 3 March 2025

**An application for planning permission has been made for an extension to a central property in a conservation area overlooking the green in Aston Rowant - application reference P25/S0193/HH.**

**It can be viewed at <https://tinyurl.com/yxsm2van>.**

The parish council is **objecting** to the application on the basis that the box-like design of the proposed structure is not sympathetic to the building it's attached to or the surrounding conservation area, especially given it's position on the green.

We think the materials used may be unsuitable for a conservation area - there is little detail on what is to be used.

The double aspect windows on what will be a living room will leak excessive light into a dark environment at night.

The proposed driveway is radically distinct from every other property on the green and the conservation area; it takes up almost half of the plot.

And the research needed to properly design the proposed structure has been basic at best with required reports omitted.

It's notable that the pre-application response from the heritage department at SODC, said - *'the design and finish of this extension does not sit particularly well with the main house'* and *'the scheme poses a degree of harm to the significance of the designated heritage asset the Aston Rowant Conservation Area.'*

ARPCs objection relates purely to the design aspect of the application.

Please take time to look at the application and lodge an objection on SODC's planning portal. **The deadline for comments is 3 March.**

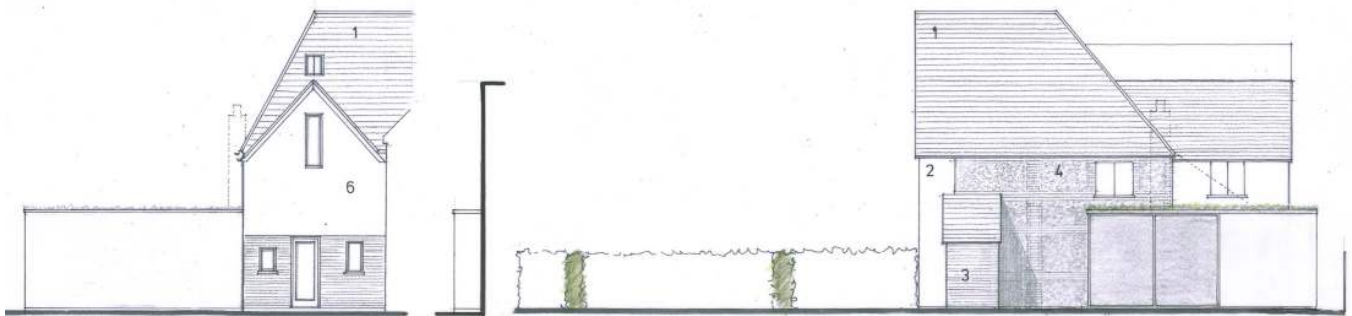
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**PLEASE SEE OVERLEAF FOR THE PLANS LODGED BY THE APPLICANT**



south east (front)

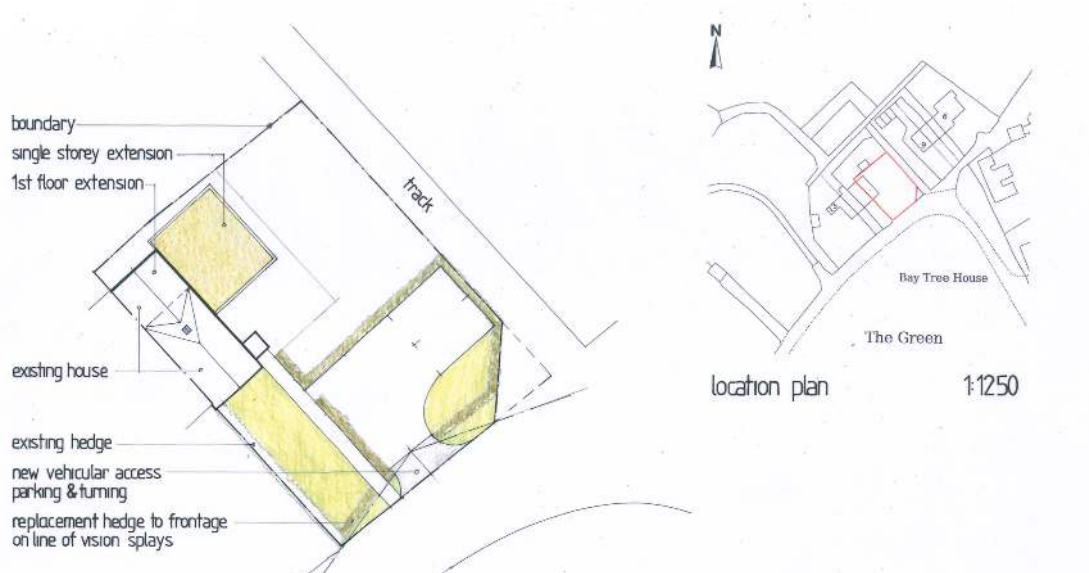


north west

south west

north east

Note the box-like structure, double aspect windows and seeded roof. The rear extension will cause light-related harm to neighbours. The living room will reach (approx.) the traffic cone in the top photo by the fence.



The driveway takes up almost half of the plot and is unlike anything else in the vicinity (and conservation area).