

Dear Mr Shearer

21/00074/FUL Alteration and Extension to Dwellinghouse

We have looked, in detail, at the plans for the renovation and extension of Whinfield, Chesters Brae, Chesters, Hawick, TD9 8TQ.

We feel the proposed building would be attractive and enhance the housing on Chesters Brae. A site visit would show the great variety of housing styles on the Brae. Importantly, the design will be most suitable for a young couple bringing up a young family.

We feel there may be mitigating factors to the constraints laid out in the Policy PMD2: Quality Standards, Subsection (i) of the Placemaking and Design.

The development has a large lawn frontage with a backdrop of tall mature pine trees. The dwelling will sit behind the building line of a 1900s two story, brick rendered house, to the East and a 1800s one and a half story, stone and rendered cottage, to the West.

The proposed development will bring a dilapidated 1800s, 2 roomed bothy, into the 21st century.

Yours sincerely

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Souden View, Chesters Brae, Chesters TD9 8TQ



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Planning Application 21/00074/FUL

We have reviewed this planning application for Whinfield Cottage, which is adjacent to our own property.

Basing the conversion around the existing stone walls maintains the character of the house and replacing the extension as it currently stands will be an improvement – the existing extension is a severe distraction from the character of the house and is completely out of keeping with the tradition of the existing building.

The house is set well back from the road. The additional height will not have a significant impact on the immediate environment, and we know that when viewed from the surrounding area, the new conversion will still be hidden from view by the surrounding trees (based on a recent trip to the trig point at the top of Southdean Law which overlooks that area of Chesters)

There is no consistent style of housing of in the surrounding part of Chesters, and we do not feel that the new conversion will detract from the character of the area. We are happy with the improvement that this conversion will bring to the property, and that it will provide a home to a growing family in a rural area.

Best Regards, Craig & Pauline McAdam