

**REDINGTON FROGNAL**  
NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

29 November, 2021

Dear Ms Dorbeck,

**Applications 2021/5771/L, 2021/5382/P, 2021/5134/P and 2021/5330/P: 24 Heath Drive - objections**

The proposals have been reviewed for compliance with the Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan.

Concerns mainly centre on changes to the consented rear garden landscaping, the loss of further natural soft surface for garden building without any mitigation and the loss of part of the front boundary treatment to facilitate vehicular entry and exit into the front garden.

It is noted that, following the proposals, a large proportion of the plot would be composed of hard surface. The applications should quantify the areas of hard surface to be added (eg bin store, bike store, paths, terraces, outdoor seating areas, garden study, gravel, shed, other garden storage, bins, fireplace, barbecue, composting area, dog washing station and drive and off-street parking area). Measures could then be proposed to help mitigate this substantial loss of natural soft surface (SD 1 v, SD 4 vii, SD 5 iii, BGI 1 iii, BGI 2 i), compared with the consented landscape proposals from 2018/0914/P.

Furthermore, it is likely that proposed revisions to the approved landscaping scheme will deliver lesser biodiversity benefits compared to the consented scheme 2018/0914/P. Benefits to biodiversity should be maximised by selecting tree species on the basis of their ability to support insects and lichens, in accordance with policies BGI 1 iii and BGI 2 ii. Other measures that could be considered to increase the biodiversity gain, include the use of hedges as boundary treatments (SD 1 vi, vii, SD 5 vii, BGI 1 v), a well-vegetated front garden (SD 2), inclusion of a natural water feature (BGI 1 vii) and the consented green wall (2018/6265/P).

Applications 2021/5771/L, 2021/5382/P, 2021/5134/P and 2021/5330/P are not compliant with the Neighbourhood Plan and are likely to cause harm to the garden setting of the listed building.

Yours sincerely,

*Nancy Mayo*  
Secretary

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