

**KIRKLEES METROPOLITAN COUNCIL  
INVESTMENT & REGENERATION SERVICE**

**DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT**

**Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) – SECTION 70**

**DELEGATED DECISION TO DETERMINE PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Reference No:	<b>2025/62/90161/E</b>
Site Address:	31, Hepworth Lane, Mirfield, WF14 0PS
Description:	Erection of front extension, 2.no front dormers and hip to gable alteration including associated alterations
Recommending Officer:	Faiza Bano

**DECISION – CONDITIONAL FULL PERMISSION**

**I hereby authorise the approval of this application for the reasons set out in the officer's report and recommendation annexed below in respect of the above matter.**

John Holmes

***AUTHORISED OFFICER***

**Date: 11-Apr-2025**

## HOUSEHOLDER DELEGATED REPORT

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<b>Publicity end date</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> March 2025
<b>Number of representations received</b>	None.
<b>Kirklees Local Plan Allocation/Designation</b>	Unallocated
<b>Extension to Time (EoT)</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Recommendation</b>	Conditional Full Permission

	<b>NO</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Applicant a Council Member or Officer in Investment and Regeneration (Skills and Regeneration)</b>	✓	
<b>Contrary to previous decision</b>	✓	
<b>Called in by Ward Member</b>	✓	
<b>Significant number of representations received</b>	✓	

### If 'No' to all above, proceed with a fast track report

By indicating that the development proposal complies with relevant national and local policy and the 'House Extensions and Alterations' Supplementary Planning Document, the planning officer is taking into account the information submitted with the application, any previous relevant applications, observations during any site visit, any comments received in connection with the application and any other considerations which are material to the decision.

### **Policy**

#### National

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) December 2024  
National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG)

- NPPF Chapter 2 – Achieving sustainable development
- NPPF Chapter 12 – Achieving well-designed places
- NPPF Chapter 14 – Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change

### Local

Kirklees Local Plan (LP):

- **LP 1** – Achieving sustainable development
- **LP 2** – Place shaping
- **LP 21** – Highways and access
- **LP 22** – Parking
- **LP 24** – Design
- **LP 51** – Protection and improvement of air quality

Supplementary Planning Document ‘House Extensions and Alterations’ (2021).

- Key design principle 1: Local character and street scene
- Key design principle 2: Impact on the original house
- Key design principle 3: Privacy
- Key design principle 4: Habitable rooms and side windows
- Key design principle 5: Overshadowing/loss of light
- Key design principle 6: Preventing overbearing impact
- Key design principle 7: Outdoor space
- Key design principle 8: Energy efficiency
- Key design principle 9: Construction materials
- Key design principle 10: Renewable energy
- Key design principle 11: Water retention
- Key design principle 12: Natural environment
- Key design principle 13: Vegetation and tree planting
- Key design principle 14: Drainage and flood risk
- Key design principle 15: Provision for parking
- Key design principle 16: Provision for waste storage
- Key design principle 17: Access for all users

	<b>YES / NO</b>	<b>SUMMARY</b>
Negotiations/Amendments during course of application	No	N/A
Parish/Town Council comments sought (Kirkburton)	No	N/A

Planning History	Yes	<b>Planning Ref:</b> 93/00727 <b>Location:</b> 31, HEPWORTH LANE, MIRFIELD. <b>Proposal:</b> ERECTION OF DOUBLE GARAGE <b>Decision code:</b> FC <b>Decision:</b> FC - CONDITIONAL FULL PERMISSION <b>Decision Date:</b> 1993-06-24
Consultations required	No	N/A

### **Assessment**

The Kirklees SPD sets out that single storey front extensions should comply with certain parameters set out at paragraph 5.14 on page 27 (and listed below) and if they do not, they need to be justified:

<b>Front Extensions Should:</b>	<b><u>Yes - COMPLY</u></b>	<b><u>No - JUSTIFY</u></b>
be set well back from the pavement or is well screened; (5.14)	Yes – the house is well setback from the pavement. It benefits from an open front garden and driveway to the side and a screened front and rear garden.	
The extension is small, subservient to the original building,	Yes – the extension would appear subservient and has been designed with a pitched roof, in-keeping with host property.	
The materials and design match the existing features of the original house; and	Yes – materials would match existing	
The extension would not unreasonably affect the neighbouring properties.	Yes – the modest scale would result in minimal impact on neighbouring property.	

The Kirklees SPD sets out that dormer window extensions should comply with certain parameters set out at paragraph 5.27 on page 32 (and listed below) and if they do not, they need to be justified:

Dormer windows should:	<u>Yes - COMPLY</u>	<u>No - JUSTIFY</u>
relate to the appearance of the house and existing roof;	Yes - regarding design, the proposed dormers would demonstrate a resemblance to the original dwelling in terms of roof design	
be designed in style and materials similar to the appearance of the existing house and roof;	Yes – dormers are designed with a pitched roof and would be symmetrical in both construction materials, design and size	
not dominate the roof or project above the ridge of the house;	Yes – proposed dormers do not dominate the roof.	
be set below the ridgeline of the existing roof and within the roof plane; and	Yes – proposed dormers are set below the ridgeline and would not project above the ridge of the house.	
be aligned with existing dormer windows on neighbouring properties in the same roof plane where relevant.	No dormers on neighbouring properties in the same roof plane.	No dormers on neighbouring properties in the same roof plane.

### **Design and Visual Amenity:**

The site to which the application site relates to is number 31, Hepworth Lane, Mirfield, WF14 0PS. The property is a semi-detached bungalow constructed from brick and roofed with concrete tiles. The property benefits from a garden to the front and rear, with an accessible driveway. The property is situated within a residential area and the street scene encompasses several dwellings of a similar appearance and scale.

The proposal seeks to convert the existing hipped roof of the bungalow to a gable end roof, enhancing the dwelling's overall form and visual character. As part of the design, the front elevation will be updated to include two pitched dormers, a roof light, and a new pitched roof over the front porch, creating a more balanced and visually appealing façade. The alterations are modest in scale and respect the proportions of the existing property, contributing positively to the street scene without causing harm to the visual amenity of the

area. Overall, the proposal changes are considered acceptable in both design and appearance.

Consideration has been given here in terms of the proposals impact on the local character and street scene, including subservience, terracing and building line.

	<b>Relevant key design principle (KDP) of the SPD, Policy in the Kirklees Local Plan and the NPPF</b>	<b>Further comments</b>	<b>✓ / X / N/A</b>
Impact on the Local character and street scene	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP1 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP24 Design (a) and (c) of the KLP</li> <li>• Chapter 12 NPPF</li> </ul>	The development is generally modest in scale and due to the positioning and orientation the development would not appear overly prominent.	✓
Impact on original house	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP2 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP24 Design (c) and (d) of the KLP</li> <li>• Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	The original property would remain the dominant feature.	✓
Height, scale and massing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 1 and 2 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP24 Design (a), (c) and (d) of the KLP</li> <li>• Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	As above. The extension would project across the front of the property and is single storey.	✓
Facing materials and detailing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 9 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP24 Design (d) (iii) of the KLP</li> <li>• Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	Facing materials to match existing.	✓
Roof style	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 1 and 2 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP24 Design (a), (c) and (d) of the KLP</li> </ul>	pitched roof style – acceptable as it is in-keeping with the original roof style of the host property.	✓

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>		
Window proportions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KDP 1 and 2 of the SPD</li> <li>Policy LP24 Design (a), (c) and (d) of the KLP</li> <li>Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	Modest size windows in extension, which would be in-keeping with existing building.	✓
Accessibility for all users	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KDP 17 of the SPD</li> <li>Policy LP24 Design (f)</li> <li>Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	Private domestic extension which would provide easy access into the main house.	✓

The design of the proposal is therefore acceptable and accords with policies LP24 of the adopted Kirklees Local Plan, the SPD and the NPPF.

#### **Residential Amenity:**

*The main properties affected are:*

- 33 Hepworth Lane - the single storey extension will not overshadow this property or its garden space as both properties are well set back from the pavement. Due to the height/scale, there will be no impact on the first floor. No/limited impact to number 33, extension is designed to ensure privacy to neighbours and will not produce conflict relating to light and outlook. The hip to gable / dormer development would not significantly increase overlooking than exists already.
- 2 Hepworth Drive – This property shares a boundary line at the rear. The extent of the works proposed are not considered to significantly impact this property.
- 20 and 21 Grove Street – Located across the road from the application site. Due to the orientation of these properties, and given the scale / nature of the proposal the development is not considered to significantly increase overlooking over that which exists already or be unduly oppressive / overbearing.

	<b>Relevant key design principle (KDP) of the SPD, Policy in the Kirklees Local Plan and the NPPF</b>	<b>Further comments</b>	<b>✓ / X / N/A</b>

Impact on privacy of neighbours (to sides, rear and front)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 3 &amp; 4 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP24 Design (d) (iv)</li> <li>• Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	Acceptable for the reasons set out above.	✓
Impact on light and outlook of neighbours (to sides, rear and front)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 4, 5, 6 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP24 Design (b)</li> <li>• Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	As above.	✓
Remaining garden space of application property	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 7 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP24 Design (b) and (c)</li> <li>• Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	As above.	✓

The proposal is therefore acceptable in terms of residential amenity and accords with policy LP24 of the adopted Kirklees Local Plan, the SPD and the NPPF.

**Highways and Parking:** Are the following acceptable?

	<b>Relevant key design principle (KDP) of the SPD, Policy in the Kirklees Local Plan and the NPPF</b>	<b>Further comments</b>	<b>✓ / X / N/A</b>
Impact on highway safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 15 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP22 Parking (f) of the KLP</li> <li>• Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	Parking is predominantly provided on-street and in curtilage, which remains acceptable due to the location of this property and the neighbouring houses – off the main through-fare. The property also has a driveway big enough to fit a car after the construction of the proposed rear extension.	✓
Parking provision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 15 of the SPD</li> </ul>	Maintains appropriate access and off-street in-curtilage parking.	✓

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy LP22 Parking (f) of the KLP</li> <li>• Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>		
Provision for waste storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 16 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP24 Design (d) (iv)</li> <li>• Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	None shown on plans however, there is sufficient space within the red line boundary to allow for storage on site. Condition not considered necessary.	✓

The proposal is therefore acceptable in terms of highways and parking and accords with policies LP21 and LP22 of the adopted Kirklees Local Plan, the SPD and the NPPF.

**Other matters:**

	<b>Relevant key design principle (KDP) of the SPD, Policy in the Kirklees Local Plan and the NPPF</b>	<b>Further comments</b>	<b>✓ / X / N/A</b>
Impact on trees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 13 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP24 Design (d) (i) (iv) Policy LP33 Trees</li> <li>• Chapter 12 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	N/A	✓
Impact on ecology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 12 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP30</li> <li>• Chapter 15 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	N/A	✓
Carbon Budget / Climate change statement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KDP 8, 9, 10 &amp; 11 of the SPD</li> <li>• Policy LP51</li> <li>• Chapter 14 of the NPPF</li> </ul>	Small scale domestic development to an existing dwelling. As such, no special measures required in terms of the planning application with regards to carbon emissions. A Climate Change Statement has been	✓



1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun within three years of the date of this permission.

**Reason:** Pursuant to the requirements of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

2. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in complete accordance with the plans and specifications schedule listed in this decision notice, except as may be specified in the conditions attached to this permission, which shall in all cases take precedence.

**Reason:** For the avoidance of doubt as to what is being permitted and to accord with Policies LP01, LP02, LP21, LP22 & LP24 of the Kirklees Local Plan, Principles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 & 15 of the Council's adopted House Extensions & Alterations Supplementary Planning Document and Policies within Chapters 2, 9, 12 and 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework

3. The external walls and roofing materials of the development hereby approved shall in all respects match those used in the construction of the existing building and be retained thereafter.

**Reason:** In the interests of visual amenity and in accordance with Policies LP01, LP02 & LP24 of the Kirklees Local Plan, Principles 1 and 2 the Council's adopted House Extensions and Alterations Supplementary Planning Document and policies within Chapter 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

Plans and specifications schedule:-

<b>Plan Type</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Version</b>	<b>Date Received</b>
Proposed Plans and Elevations	24.2779.03	-	24-Jan-2025
Existing Plans and Elevations	24.2779.01	-	24-Jan-2025
Climate Change Statement	-	-	24-Jan-2025

Pursuant to article 35 (2) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order 2015 and guidance in the National Planning Policy Framework, the Local Authority have, where possible, made a pre-application advice service available, complied with the Kirklees Development Management Charter 2015 and otherwise actively engaged with the applicant in dealing with the application. It was not considered necessary to seek any amendments/further information during the course of this application.

**Report Dated: 09/04/2025**

