Address: 12, Birch Grove, Batley, WF17 0RQ

About the application

Application number: 2026/92154	
What is the application for?:	Removal of existing garage and erection of two storey side extension with porch,
Address of the site or building:	12, Birch Grove, Batley, WF17 0RQ
Postcode:	WF17 0RQ

User comments

Type of comment: A supporting comment	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	No

I wish to respond to the latest comment requesting a further extension of the consultation period.

The suggestion that the Council is legally required to send individual notification letters to all residents of Birch Grove, Woodlands Road and Merlin Court is incorrect.

The statutory publicity requirements for an application of this nature allow consultation to be undertaken by displaying a site notice or serving notice on adjoining owners/occupiers, together with publication of the relevant application information online. A site notice has been displayed and the application has been publicly available on the Council's planning portal.

Furthermore, the consultation period has already been extended substantially and is currently open until 26 October 2026 following the submission of amended plans. This has provided a significant additional opportunity for interested parties to review the application and make representations.

The latest commenter is clearly aware of the application and has themselves been able to submit a representation through the Council's consultation process. A number of other representations have also already been received.

There is therefore no reasonable basis to delay determination of the application further simply to provide additional time beyond the already extended consultation period.

Public consultation is the responsibility of Kirklees Council as Local Planning Authority, and I respectfully request that the Council confirms that the applicable statutory publicity requirements have been satisfied and proceeds to determine the application promptly following the current consultation end date.

The application has already been under consideration for a considerable period and the applicant should not be subjected to repeated delays where the required publicity has been undertaken and interested parties have already been afforded ample opportunity to comment.