

# Sutton North Special **FOCUS**

News from Cllr Ruth Dombey, Cllr Marlene Heron and Cllr Steve Penneck



## **PLANNING APPEAL REJECTED: REAR OF 274 TO 276 COLLINGWOOD ROAD**

Residents will recall that last September Sutton Council refused planning consent for conversion of a detached garage at rear (accessed from Anton Crescent) into a one bedroomed bungalow involving alterations to elevations together with a car parking space and cycle facilities.

The applicant subsequently appealed against this decision to the Planning Inspectorate. We have now been notified that the appeal has been REFUSED.

The inspector has commented: 'I consider that the design of the development would be harmful to the character of the building and the surrounding area and would fail to improve the quality of the area and the way it functions.

'In reaching the above findings, I have taken into account the view expressed by the Council that the current proposal would set a precedent for similar developments. . . . Allowing this appeal would make it more difficult to resist further planning applications for conversion of other garages and outbuildings to self-contained accommodation facing AntonCrescent. I consider that the cumulative effect of similar developments would exacerbate the harm which I have described above.

'I conclude that the development would harm the character of the host building and the surrounding area. I have found that the development would provide for a satisfactory living environment for future occupiers. However, the absence of harm in this respect does not justify the harm arising from the development relating to the effect on the character of the host building and the surrounding area. This harm is decisive upon the outcome of this appeal and reflects conflict with the development plan and the Framework that is significant and overriding.'

If you would like a copy of the full appeal decision letter please let us know.

We will continue to keep you informed of planning issues in our area.

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Conservative	1	2	3	4	5
UKIP	1	2	3	4	5
Green	1	2	3	4	5

**What are your top three local issues?**

Education	St Helier	Crime
Parking	Planning	Environment
Transport	Traffic	Parks

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