



# CHELTENHAM CIVIC SOCIETY

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## PLANNING FORUM

Notes of online meeting held at 5.00 pm on Tuesday 21 October 2020

**Those present:** Peter Sayers (Chair), Andrew Booton, Adrian Phillips, Andrew Kitching, Sue Jenkins, Mike Richardson & Tess Beck (Secretary)

**Apologies:** None

### **16 St James Street, Cheltenham**

Erection of new signage: shop fascia, projecting sign and post logo sign

Planning ref: 20/01631/ADV

#### **OBJECT**

The Civic Society Planning Forum feels this is a situation where referral to the Shop Front Design Guide would be helpful, though the Design Guide lacks guidance for modern shopfronts.

The drawings submitted are facile and inaccurate. The proposal fails to reflect the nature of the building or the character of the conservation area, but it is no worse than its predecessor.

### **10 Shrublands, Cheltenham**

Oak Tree T1: fell and Sycamore stems: fell on land to the rear of 10 Shrublands

Planning ref: 20/01611/TPO

#### **OBJECT**

The Civic Society Planning Forum feels strongly that the Planning Department should refuse to accept inadequate applications such as this one. The supplied map is laughable and it is impossible to identify from the application which trees they are referring to.

Trees are an essential part of Cheltenham's character. From the information provided, overhanging a garden seems an inadequate reason for felling a healthy mature tree.

### **Broadleas, 9 Eldorado Road, Cheltenham**

Proposed demolition of rear extension and garage with replacement extension and garage and additional external and internal alterations (revised scheme to increase footprint of garage and link, including solar pv slate tiles on southwest elevation, and erect new brick boundary wall)

Planning ref: 20/01681/FUL

#### **SUPPORT**

The Civic Society Planning Forum would like the type of solar tiles to be specified. The older square type could distort the appearance of the roof and have a negative impact on the building's appearance.

Ideally the rear skylight should be conservation grade. On the whole this scheme is an improvement.

### **355 Old Bath Road, Cheltenham**

Loft conversion including rear dormer window and rooflights to front elevation

Planning ref: 20/01610/CLPUD

No comment submitted.

### **7 Lansdown Place, Cheltenham**

The demolition and rebuilding of an existing timber framed conservatory superstructure (part retrospective)

Planning ref: 20/01752/FUL

#### **NEUTRAL**

We support the remedial work which is clearly necessary, but we are at a loss as to why the applicant plans to rebuild the conservatory in a similar style to the inappropriate 1970s addition.