

REFERENCE: 26/0318

PROPOSAL: EXTEND EXISTING DRIVEWAY AND ASSOCIATED ALTERATIONS INCLUDING ERECTION OF FRONT BOUNDARY

WALL

SITE: 48 Pillmawr Road Newport NP20 6WG

APPLICATION TYPE: Full

CASE OFFICER: Ben Webster

RECOMMENDATION: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED (Please re-consult when received)

Comments:

The elevated front garden characteristic of the street view has already been removed.



Adequate soft landscape mitigation and enhancement would be required.

The refused 25/0796 application is noted.

The proposal for planting at the bay area adjacent to the house is fine, but the proposal for planter boxes alongside the west wall is unlikely to thrive [planters restrict growth and risk drying out] and would provide inadequate mitigation and enhancement.

A mixed ornamental hedge could be planted along the west boundary length returning along the frontage wall section, based on planting in nearby gardens. Note that the use of reduced height eg pollinator planting would be required where this is inside the pedestrian visibility splay – please refer to Highways comments.

Note that piers caps along the road are uniformly simple chamfered squares not spheres.

Policy:

Given this is part retrospective, I would advise the planting is sufficiently detailed at this full planning stage to ensure highways compliance but also to adequately meet LDP GP5 vi for an appropriate landscape scheme which enhances the site and the wider context.

Recommendation:

A Planting Plan is required to show planting species, mix, nursery size, density and indicative target maintenance height for hedges. For this site, an outline of planting bed preparation should also be provided to confirm removal of hard surfacing to enable placement of a suitable depth of topsoil over free-draining material.

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