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Re. DC/20/0403/FUL Deben House, Cliff Road, Waldringfield

Dear Alexis Bruns,

In its response to the previous application for this property (DC/19/4234/FUL), Waldringfield Parish Council said "We do not object per se to the concept of erecting a residential annex and double garage on this site..." Since the structural details of the 'annex' have not changed, we still do not have a problem with the building itself. However, we find it difficult to support the application because of the ambiguity in the building's proposed use. It is stated that it will be "for use ancillary to existing dwelling with occasional holiday let usage". Since different planning policies apply to annexes and holiday lets, and since holiday lets attract Council Tax but annexes don't, we feel the application should be for one or the other, not both, and find it difficult to come to a decision while this ambiguity exists.

If East Suffolk Council is minded to approve the application, we feel strongly that policy DM6 (b) iii, which states that "conditions will be applied to limit occupation to prevent future use as a separate dwelling", should be applied. This is particularly relevant as there is a fence separating the 'annex' from the main building, thus encouraging the impression that it is a separate dwelling.

Kind regards,

Rebecca Todd Parish Clerk