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Reading Borough Council
Development & Planning Services
Council Offices,
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Ref: 191730/PREAPP
Proposed Construction of Granny Annexe to the Rear of 87 Blandford Road, Whitley,
Reading, RG2 8RR

Applicants Mr & Mrs M Collins,

Date: 25/2/2020

Dear Mr Schofield,

Thank you for your comments in response to our pre-planning application and your subsequent remarks in response to the applicants e-mail messages. We have now submitted a full planning application via the Planning Portal
Reference No. PP-08538152v1

As suggested we have made some amendments to meet the current and foreseeable changing needs of the co-applicant.

Mrs Tracey Collins is a disabled badge holder, she suffers from a chronic form of ME (Myalgic encephalomyelitis) As you may know this is a very debilitating condition, causing severe muscle and joint pain, leading to loss of mobility. The condition also causes, headaches, IBS (Irritable bowel syndrome) and other long term symptoms. As a consequence Mrs Collins is on the highest mobility rate for PIP's (Personal Independence payments) and qualifies for ESA (Employment and Support Allowance, formally incapacity benefit) She can therefore be classed as a member of a "vulnerable Group" with significant physical needs.

The applicant's current property is a semi detached, two storey property with first floor bedrooms and bathroom. Mrs Collins is now finding it extremely difficult to access the first floor and would benefit greatly if all her amenities were at the ground floor level.

The attached full planning application is designed to provide a Granny flat in the rear garden of their property, with all necessary amenities not only at an accessible level but also designed to meet her current and future physical needs.

Yours sincerely,

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