

Details of proposed development of Home Studio/Cart-lodge/Workshop/Garage

At Rivendell, Stonham Road, MICKFIELD Suffolk IP14 5LR

Owners: Mr B Sedgwick and Ms H Skinner

Rivendell sits on a corner plot of approximately a third of an acre.

The dwelling house is sited mid plot which affords a large front garden with ample parking.

The plot is screened with mature trees and hedges and run off ditches on three sides - photo evidence attached.

The proposal is needed by the Vendor as they are a home worker due to a heart condition.

It is intended to site the home studio in the front corner of the plot which is surrounded by hedgerow and trees, affording the studio to be screened from the road. No direct vehicular access being sought. There is also a ditch (pond) between the intended building and the road.

The intended building will be restricted in size due to budgetary constraints and will be clad/weatherboarded in keeping with the other style of outbuildings in the area. An example of the intended style of building is included in the application and will measure no greater in size than 8x5m. It is not unusual for most homes in the countryside to have outbuildings. Rivendell currently does not have any.

There are numerous other, more elevated buildings in the immediate vicinity which can be seen from the road and which are also in front of their main dwelling house. Photo evidence included.

These other buildings are closer to the Grade 1 listing than the proposer's plot.

The Precedent appears to have been set.

The application is supported Rivendell's direct neighbour at White Ash due to it being more favorable than a Permitted Development building in the rear garden as this would block both light and views.

It is hoped the Parish Council will be positive about the application due to the business in question being a dying craft which will benefit the local area by providing an additional local service and possible revenue to the parish itself.

The building is likely to be sourced from the very local business, Merit Buildings who are also located in Stonham Road, Mickfield.

Home working and local sourcing will reduce carbon footprint.

