

**Supplementary report to Lewes District Council's
Planning Applications Committee on 28 August 2019**

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85 Western Road, Newick**

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FOR INFORMATION - the normal practice of notifying all those who made a representation about the application of the Committee and registering to speak was not communicated due to an officer error. Those supporting the application including the applicant had registered to speak. However the single objector and the Parish Council, who raised an objection, were not notified.

Both have been contacted by phone and informed of the situation and given the opportunity to speak. The Parish Council declined the offer and felt that their representations clearly set out their views. The one objector was not available but her son-in-law confirmed that a) she was out of the country and b) would not want to speak. It was confirmed to both that their views would be brought to the attention of the Committee.

In view of this it is not considered that any party has been prejudiced and that the Committee can determine the application.

Comments have been received in support of the application from 81 Western Road, who would have registered to speak at the Committee meeting had they been able to attend. A copy of the comments is below:-

On behalf of my partner Kerry and I who live at number 81 Western Road in Newick we would like to make the following comments in support of the planning application made by Ruth and Steve Long at number 85 Western Road.

The existing bungalow at number 85 is very tired and dated, It occupies a nice large plot which we feel could be put to better use. We have always felt that the existing tired bungalow was the 'odd' one in an area of character properties. We have looked through the drawings for the proposed replacement semi- detached dwellings and we think they will be a real improvement for the area.

We feel that semi-detached properties make sense in this location, as this part of Western Road is made up of smaller cottages, terraced properties and we ourselves as direct neighbours as a semi-detached. The proposed semi's would be we feel within keeping of this.

We like the choice of materials and can see how they will blend well with the properties on either side. We like the traditional clay hung tiles and sash windows. We believe the semi's will complement the street well. The designs

appear to be very well thought through offering good parking arrangements and nice sized gardens. We think they will provide really good spacious family homes.

They look well placed on the plot and won't affect any of the surrounding properties negatively as they won't overlook anyone. Like us they will be fortunate to enjoy the views over Reedons Meadows to the front, the side elevations have frosted glass for the bathrooms and the fencing and landscaping to the rear ensures the privacy of the bungalow behind them.

The impact of the construction on the neighbours will be kept to the minimum as the site has its own suitable access, turning and parking provisions for handling it.

Newick has a great primary school and lots of facilities that are within walking distance. These type and size of property are really sought after in the village and we believe they will make a really positive contribution to the village.