

# LRB-2020-20 - 20/00560/FLL – Installation of replacement windows, Fernbank, 50 Main Street, Longforgan

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PAPERS SUBMITTED BY THE APPLICANT

# **NOTICE OF REVIEW**

UNDER SECTION 43A(8) OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED)IN RESPECT OF DECISIONS ON LOCAL DEVELOPMENTS

THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCHEMES OF DELEGATION AND LOCAL REVIEW PROCEDURE) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013

THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (APPEALS) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008

IMPORTANT: Please read and follow the guidance notes provided when completing this form. Failure to supply all the relevant information could invalidate your notice of review.

#### Use BLOCK CAPITALS if completing in manuscript

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Planning authority's appl	ication reference number	20	100560/FLL
Site address	FERNBANK CO LONGFORGAN		50 MAIN STREET SEU
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#### Nature of application

- 1. Application for planning permission (including householder application)
- 2. Application for planning permission in principle
- 3. Further application (including development that has not yet commenced and where a time limit has been imposed; renewal of planning permission; and/or modification, variation or removal of a planning condition)
- 4. Application for approval of matters specified in conditions

#### Reasons for seeking review

- 1. Refusal of application by appointed officer
- 2. Failure by appointed officer to determine the application within the period allowed for determination of the application
- 3. Conditions imposed on consent by appointed officer

#### Review procedure

The Local Review Body will decide on the procedure to be used to determine your review and may at any time during the review process require that further information or representations be made to enable them to determine the review. Further information may be required by one or a combination of procedures, such as: written submissions; the holding of one or more hearing sessions and/or inspecting the land which is the subject of the review case.

Please indicate what procedure (or combination of procedures) you think is most appropriate for the handling of your review. You may tick more than one box if you wish the review to be conducted by a combination of procedures.

- 1. Further written submissions
- 2. One or more hearing sessions
- 3. Site inspection
- 4 Assessment of review documents only, with no further procedure

If you have marked box 1 or 2, please explain here which of the matters (as set out in your statement below) you believe ought to be subject of that procedure, and why you consider further submissions or a hearing are necessary:

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#### Site inspection

In the event that the Local Review Body decides to inspect the review site, in your opinion:

- 1. Can the site be viewed entirely from public land?
- 2 Is it possible for the site to be accessed safely, and without barriers to entry?

If there are reasons why you think the Local Review Body would be unable to undertake an unaccompanied site inspection, please explain here:

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#### Statement

You must state, in full, why you are seeking a review on your application. Your statement must set out all matters you consider require to be taken into account in determining your review. <u>Note</u>: you may not have a further opportunity to add to your statement of review at a later date. It is therefore essential that you submit with your notice of review, all necessary information and evidence that you rely on and wish the Local Review Body to consider as part of your review.

If the Local Review Body issues a notice requesting further information from any other person or body, you will have a period of 14 days in which to comment on any additional matter which has been raised by that person or body.

State here the reasons for your notice of review and all matters you wish to raise. If necessary, this can be continued or provided in full in a separate document. You may also submit additional documentation with this form.

THE REASONS FOR THIS NOTICE OF REVIEW ARE OUTLINE	
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Have you raised any matters which were not before the appointed officer at the time the determination on your application was made?

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If yes, you should explain in the box below, why you are raising new material, why it was not raised with the appointed officer before your application was determined and why you consider it should now be considered in your review.

AS STATED ON PAGE 2 THESE ARE ONLY GIVEN TO HIGHLIGHT POINTS THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING THE APPLICATION

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#### List of documents and evidence

Please provide a list of all supporting documents, materials and evidence which you wish to submit with your notice of review and intend to rely on in support of your review.

DOCUMENT	AL REASON FOR NOTICE OF REVIEW.
Photo GRAPHIC	DOCUMENTS PI, PZ, P3, P4, P5, P6, P7
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<u>Note.</u> The planning authority will make a copy of the notice of review, the review documents and any notice of the procedure of the review available for inspection at an office of the planning authority until such time as the review is determined. It may also be available on the planning authority website.

#### Checklist

Please mark the appropriate boxes to confirm you have provided all supporting documents and evidence relevant to your review:



Full completion of all parts of this form

Statement of your reasons for requiring a review

All documents, materials and evidence which you intend to rely on (e.g. plans and drawings or other documents) which are now the subject of this review.

<u>Note.</u> Where the review relates to a further application e.g. renewal of planning permission or modification, variation or removal of a planning condition or where it relates to an application for approval of matters specified in conditions, it is advisable to provide the application reference number, approved plans and decision notice from that earlier consent.

#### Declaration

I the applicant/agent [delete as appropriate] hereby serve notice on the planning authority to review the application as set out on this form and in the supporting documents.

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Signed	Date	16" July 2020
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#### Document A1

Notice of Review Perth & Kinross Council Planning application reference 20/00560/FLL

#### The following outlines the reasons for the submission of a notice of review.

The notice of refusal appears to have been concluded as a paper exercise without the knowledge or due recognition of the varied character and appearance of the properties in the vicinity of the site.

I would counter the statements made in the refusal as follows.

#### **Opening Mechanism**

It has not been recognised that the opening mechanism of the proposed windows is the same as the existing windows.

#### Trickle Vent

The prominence of the external trickle vent is criticised without having knowledge of the scale of its projection. It should also be recognised that the windows of the adjacent house (no 48) have similar vents as does house no 49 across the road. (see attached photographs) These vents are in compliance with the requirements of Part F of the Building Regulations.

#### Sandwich Astragals

Because the windows are double glazed units, general discussions with Planning department indicated that where astragals were used, they should be sandwiched between the glazing panels. It should also be noted that the adjacent house No 52 has windows with sandwich astragals as does house No 49 (see attached photographs)

#### Framing proportions

Because the new windows are double glazed, it is inevitable that the frames will be slightly heavier than the existing single glazed units. I have created a photoshop (as attached) of the proposed window superimposed and would counter that its framing proportions are not unsympathetic and are comparable to those in house no 52. (see attached photographs)

From an environmental viewpoint, it is more important to double glaze than to maintain an inefficiently insulated house.

#### Visual amenity

Far from having a detrimental impact on the property, the new windows are more in keeping with the appearance of the adjacent properties.

House numbers 44 and 46 have heavy framed astragal style windows. (see attached photographs)

#### **Conservation Area**

The Development Plan is in place to protect the area from major developments that would adversely affect the area.

This proposal is essentially not a major development but the replacement of an existing inefficient window system.

Given the variation in window styles in the vicinity (see attached photographs), any impact that the proposed windows will have will be to enhance the character of the area rather than be a departure from the Development Plan.

I look forward to a positive review of this application.

48 Main Street Longforgan

Windows with prominent external trickle vents



47 & 49 Main Street Longforgan

UPVC Windows with sandwich astragals and prominent external trickle vents



52 Main Street Longforgan

UPVC Windows with sandwich astragals and heavier frame proportions and brown in colour



#### Photo P4

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Fernbank Cottage 50 Main Street Longforgan DD2 5EU

#### Window as existing

#### Proposed window superimposed



44 & 46 Main Street Longforgan

Windows and doors with astragals

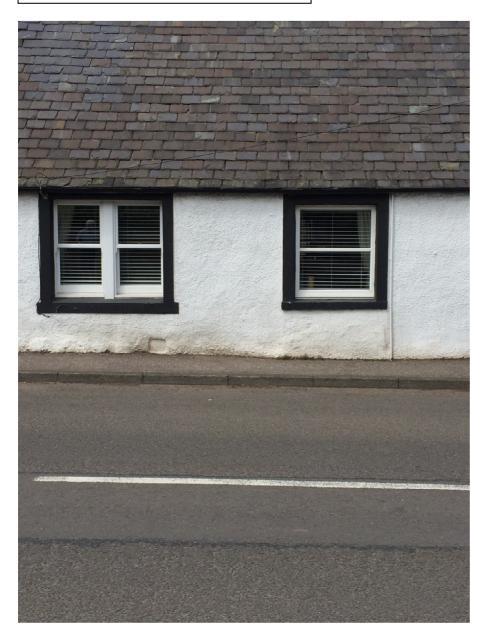


#### Photo P6

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51 Main Street Longforgan

Two different types of window One with fixed frame



99 Main Street Longforgan

UPVC Window with sandwich astragals Prominent external trickle vent Top hung opening





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# **PLANNING DECISION NOTICE**

# **REPORT OF HANDLING**

# **REFERENCE DOCUMENTS**



Mr David McCulloch c/o Allan McCulloch 176 Glasgow Road Perth PH2 0LZ Pullar House 35 Kinnoull Street PERTH PH1 5GD

Date of Notice:19th June 2020

# TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT

#### Application Reference: 20/00560/FLL

I am directed by the Planning Authority under the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Acts currently in force, to refuse your application registered on 4th May 2020 for Planning Permission for Installation of replacement windows Fernbank 50 Main Street Longforgan Dundee DD2 5EU

#### David Littlejohn Head of Planning and Development

#### **Reasons for Refusal**

1 The proposed windows, by virtue their inappropriate specification and design, unsympathetic framing proportions and opening mechanism, prominent external trickle vents and sandwich astragals, would have a detrimental impact on the visual amenity of the house and the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

Approval would therefore be contrary to Scottish Planning Policy 2014, Perth & Kinross Council's Placemaking Guide 2020 and Policies PM1A, PM1B, 17, and 28A of the Perth & Kinross Local Development Plan 2, 2019, all of which seek to ensure that development respects the place in order to protect the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

#### Justification

The proposal is not in accordance with the Development Plan and there are no material reasons which justify departing from the Development Plan.

Notes

The plans and documents relating to this decision are listed below and are displayed on Perth and Kinross Council's website at <u>www.pkc.gov.uk</u> "Online Planning Applications" page

**Plan Reference** 

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# **REPORT OF HANDLING**

# DELEGATED REPORT

Ref No	20/00560/FLL	
Ward No	P1- Carse Of Gowrie	
Due Determination Date	3rd July 2020	
Report Drafted Date	15th June 2020	
Report Issued by	KS	Date 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2020

PROPOSAL:	Installation of replacement windows
LOCATION:	Fernbank 50 Main Street Longforgan Dundee DD2 5EU

# SUMMARY:

This report recommends **refusal** of the application as the development is considered to be contrary to the relevant provisions of the Development Plan and there are no material considerations apparent which justify setting aside the Development Plan.

**DATE OF SITE VISIT:** N/A due to Coronavirus pandemic restrictions.

# SITE PHOTOGRAPHS



# **BACKGROUND AND DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL**

The application site is Fernbank, which is a traditional semi-detached cottage at 50 Main Street, within the Longforgan Conservation Area. This application seeks detailed planning permission for the replacement of three timber framed windows in the principal (north) elevation with upvc framed, double-glazed units.

In accordance with the on-going restrictions of the coronavirus pandemic, the application site has not been visited by the case officer. The application site

and its context have, however, been viewed by StreetView imagery and a photograph provided by the applicant's agent.

Together this information means that it is possible and appropriate to determine the application as it provides an acceptable basis on which to consider the potential impacts of this proposed development.

### SITE HISTORY

None

# **PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION**

Pre application Reference: Not Applicable.

# NATIONAL POLICY AND GUIDANCE

The Scottish Government expresses its planning policies through The National Planning Framework, the Scottish Planning Policy (SPP), Planning Advice Notes (PAN), Creating Places, Designing Streets, National Roads Development Guide and a series of Circulars.

Scottish Planning Policy (2014) Conservation Areas (paragraph 143) states; "Proposals for development within conservation areas should preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the conservation area. Proposals that do not harm the character or appearance of the conservation area should be treated as preserving its character or appearance".

# DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Development Plan for the area comprises the TAYplan Strategic Development Plan 2016-2036 and the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2019.

# TAYplan Strategic Development Plan 2016 – 2036 - Approved October 2017

Policy 2: "Shaping Better Quality Places" states that proposals should be;

"Place-led to deliver distinctive places by ensuring that the arrangement, layout, design, density and mix of development are shaped through incorporating and enhancing natural and historic assets, natural processes, the multiple roles of infrastructure and networks, and local design context".

Policy 9: "Managing TayPlan's Assets" states that proposals should;

"Safeguard the integrity of natural and historic assets [through] understanding and respecting the regional distinctiveness and scenic value of the TAYplan area through safeguarding the integrity of natural and historic assets; including... townscapes and historic buildings".

# Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2 (2019) – Adopted November 2019

The Local Development Plan 2 is the most recent statement of Council policy and is augmented by Supplementary Guidance. The principal policies are, in summary:

Policy 1A + 1B: Placemaking

Policy 17: Residential Areas

Policy 28A: Conservation Areas: New Development

# **OTHER POLICIES**

Perth & Kinross Council's Placemaking Guide 2020 states that;

In unlisted buildings in conservation areas:

- In listed buildings and conservation areas the use of external secondary glazing and plant-on or sandwich astragals (non-structural astragals applied to the glass surface) is not acceptable.
- Ensure that replacement windows on the front and all sides of the building visible to the public match the original as closely as possible.
- Take the opportunity of installing appropriate new windows where the existing windows are modern replacements not in keeping with the building or area.

# CONSULTATION RESPONSES

None.

# REPRESENTATIONS

No letters of representation have been received in relation to this proposal.

# ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

Screening Opinion	Not Required
Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA): Environmental Report	Not Applicable
Appropriate Assessment	Not Required
Design Statement or Design and Access Statement	Not Required
Report on Impact or Potential Impact eg Flood Risk Assessment	Not Required

# APPRAISAL

Sections 25 and 37 (2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 require that planning decisions be made in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The Development Plan for the area comprises the approved TAYplan 2016 and the adopted Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2 (2019).

The determining issues in this case are whether; the proposal complies with development plan policy; or if there are any other material considerations which justify a departure from policy.

# **Policy Appraisal**

Developments which are ancillary to an existing domestic dwellinghouse are generally considered to be acceptable in principle. Nevertheless, consideration must be given to the specific details of the proposed development within the context of the application site, and whether it would have an adverse impact on visual amenity or the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

# **Design and Layout**

Fernbank is a traditional semi-detached cottage at 50 Main Street, within the Longforgan Conservation Area. This application seeks detailed planning permission for the replacement of three timber framed windows in the principal (north) elevation with upvc framed, double-glazed units.

The existing windows are modern timber single-glazed casement units, painted white, with a top-hung opening mechanism. The principal of replacing the windows is acceptable, providing that the detailed specification of the replacement units is appropriate.

The proposed replacement windows are white upvc framed, double-glazed units, with internal (non-structural) "sandwich" astragals. The units also have external trickle vents located in the top rail.

# **Visual Amenity and Conservation Considerations**

The framing thickness of the proposed upvc units has increased and the tophung opening mechanism increases the thickness of the top sash further, creating a top-heavy appearance to each window. This would be exacerbated by the lack of depth in profile, which is traditionally evident in sash and case windows. Additionally, the sandwich astragals and external trickle vents are modern features which would have a detrimental impact on the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

Whilst the principal of replacing the existing windows is acceptable, the proposed window specification is inappropriate in this context for the aforementioned reasons. Approval would be contrary to TayPlan 2017, SPP

2014, Perth & Kinross Local Development Plan 2 2019 and Perth & Kinross Placemaking Guide 2020, all of which seek to ensure that development proposals respect the place in order to protect the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

### Landscape

The domestic scale and nature of the proposal does not raise any landscape impact issues and the impact would be limited to a streetscape impact.

### **Residential Amenity**

Given the nature of the proposed development, the residential amenity of neighbouring properties would not be adversely affected.

### **Developer Contributions**

The Developer Contributions Guidance is not applicable to this application and therefore no contributions are required in this instance.

### **Economic Impact**

The economic impact of the proposal is likely to be minimal and limited to the construction phase of the development.

# Conclusion

In conclusion, the application must be determined in accordance with the adopted Development Plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise. In this respect, the proposal is not considered to comply with the approved TAYplan 2016 or the adopted Local Development Plan 2 (2019). Account has been taken of material considerations and none have been found that would justify overriding the adopted Development Plan. On that basis the application is recommended for refusal.

# **APPLICATION PROCESSING TIME**

The recommendation for this application has been made within the statutory determination period.

# LEGAL AGREEMENTS

None required.

# **DIRECTION BY SCOTTISH MINISTERS**

None applicable to this proposal.

# RECOMMENDATION

# **Refuse the application**

### **Reasons for Recommendation**

1 The proposed windows, by virtue their inappropriate specification and design, unsympathetic framing proportions and opening mechanism, prominent external trickle vents and sandwich astragals, would have a detrimental impact on the visual amenity of the house and the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

Approval would therefore be contrary to Scottish Planning Policy 2014, Perth & Kinross Council's Placemaking Guide 2020 and Policies PM1A, PM1B, 17, and 28A of the Perth & Kinross Local Development Plan 2, 2019, all of which seek to ensure that development respects the place in order to protect the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

# Justification

The proposal is not in accordance with the Development Plan and there are no material reasons which justify departing from the Development Plan.

# **Informative Notes**

Not Applicable.

# **Procedural Notes**

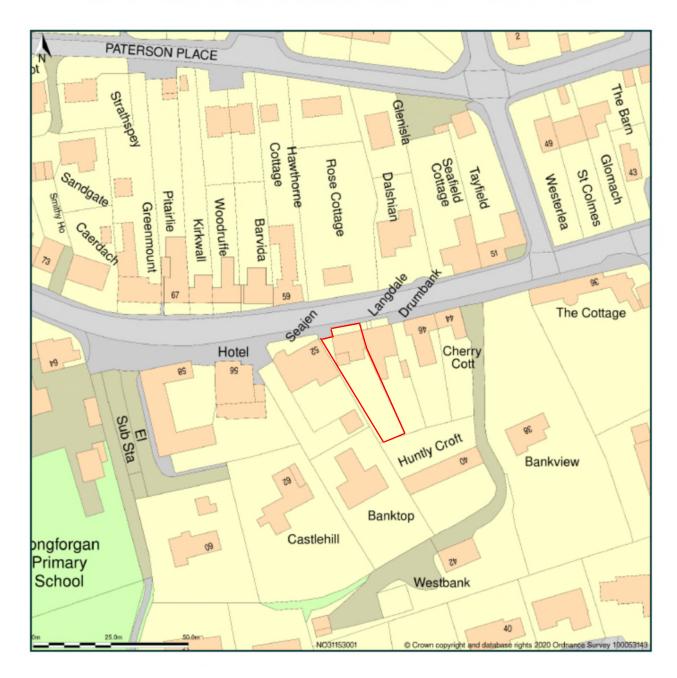
Not Applicable.

# PLANS AND DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THIS DECISION

20/00560/1, 20/00560/2, 20/00560/3, 20/00560/4, 20/00560/5, 20/00560/6,

20/00560/7, 20/00560/8 and 20/00560/9

# Fernbank, 50, Main Street, Longforgan, Perth And Kinross, DD2 5EU



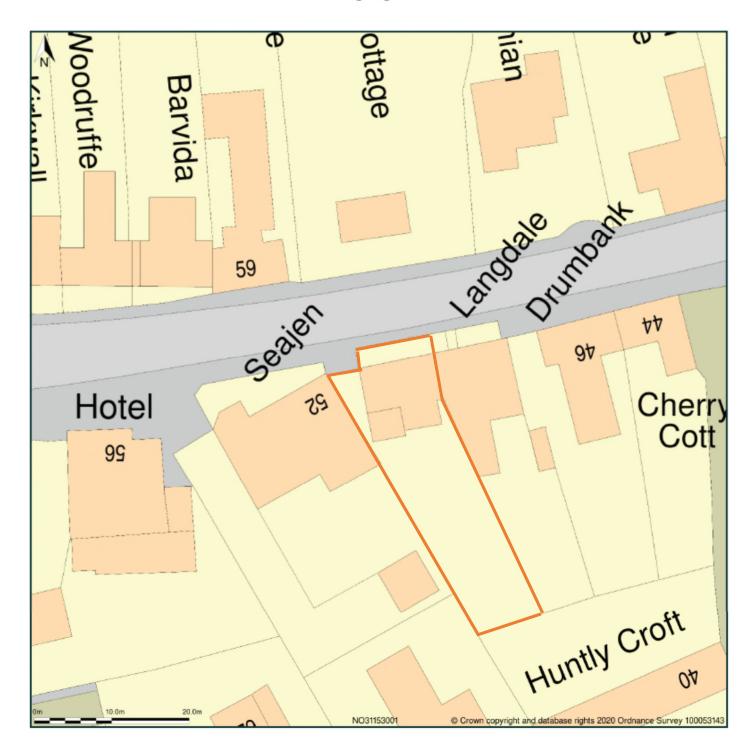
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Planning Application Drawings by A A McCulloch C.Eng.MIStructE

> Fernbank Cottage Main Street Longforgan

**Replacement of Windows** 

Location Plan Drg L1C



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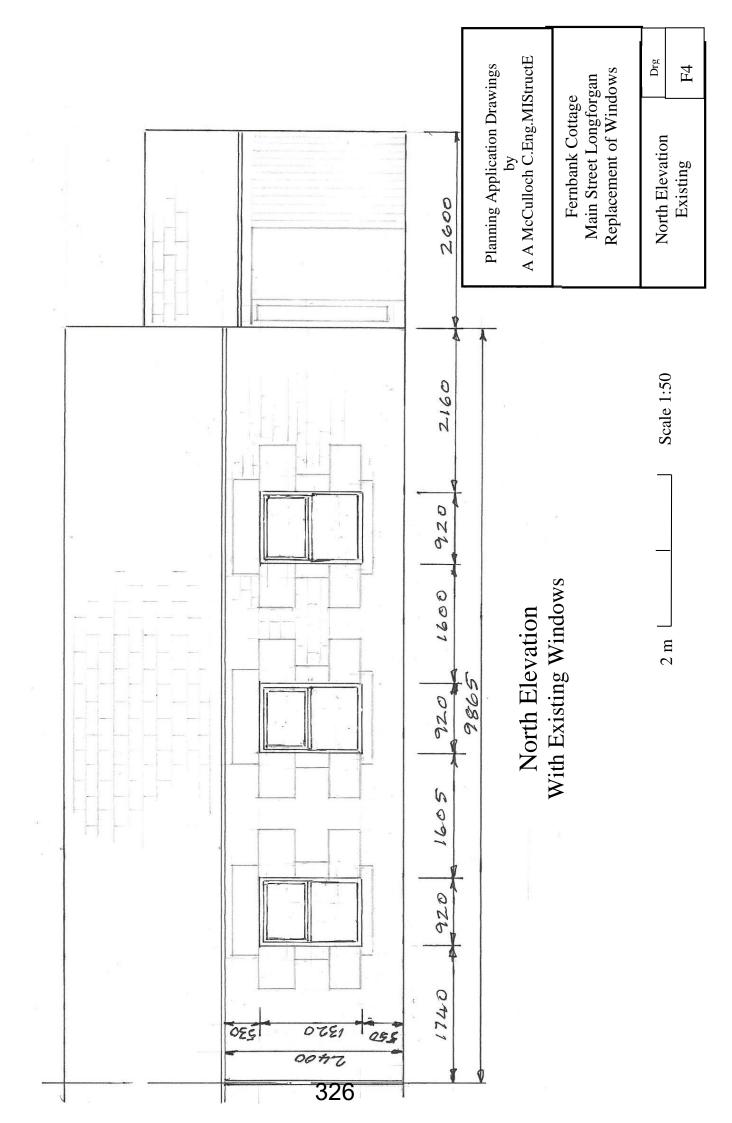
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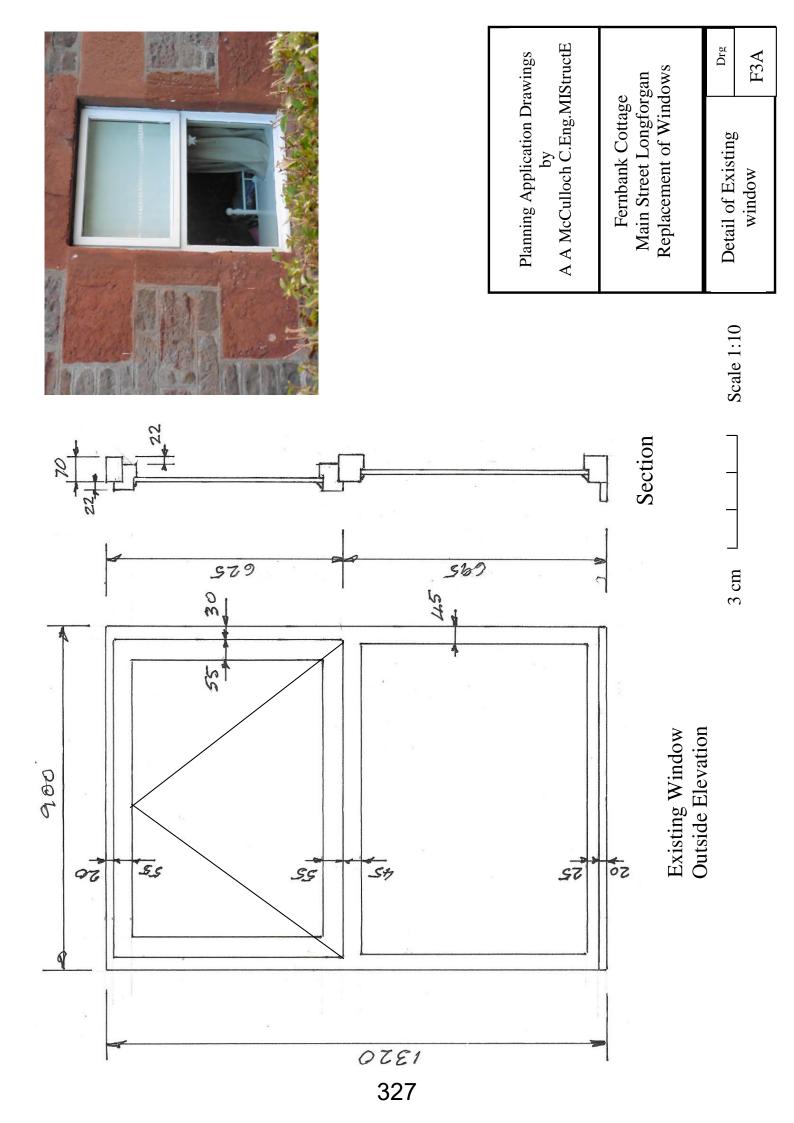
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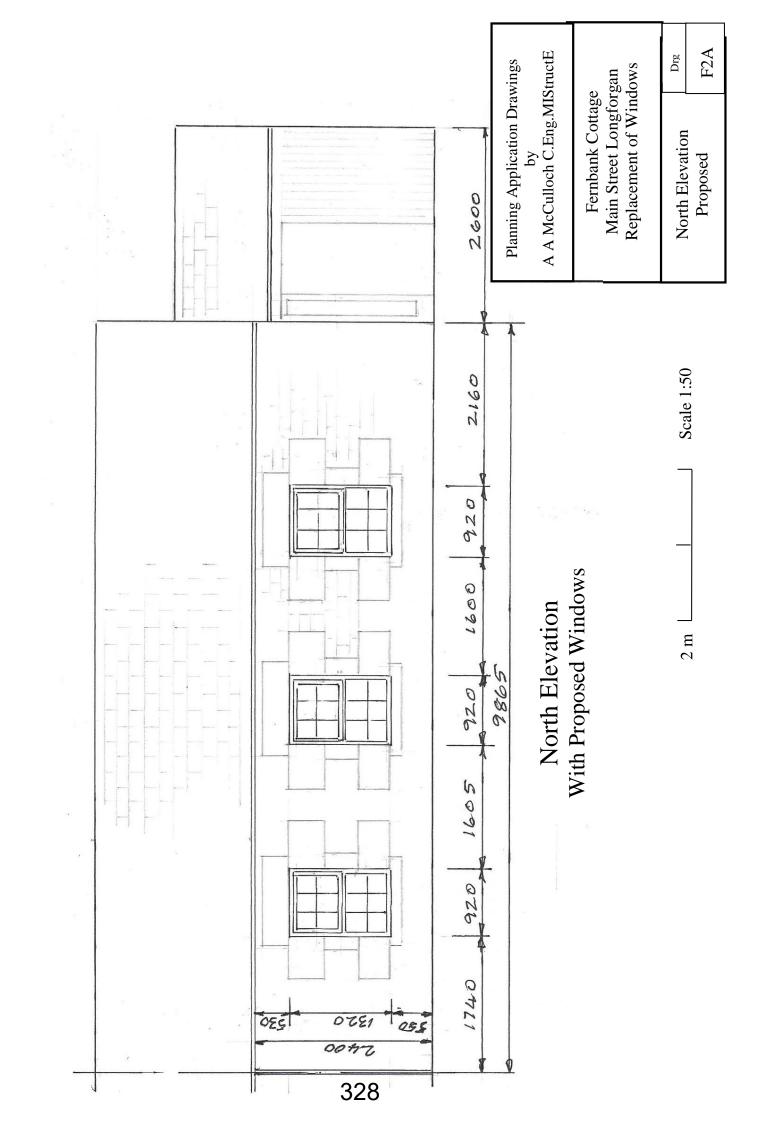
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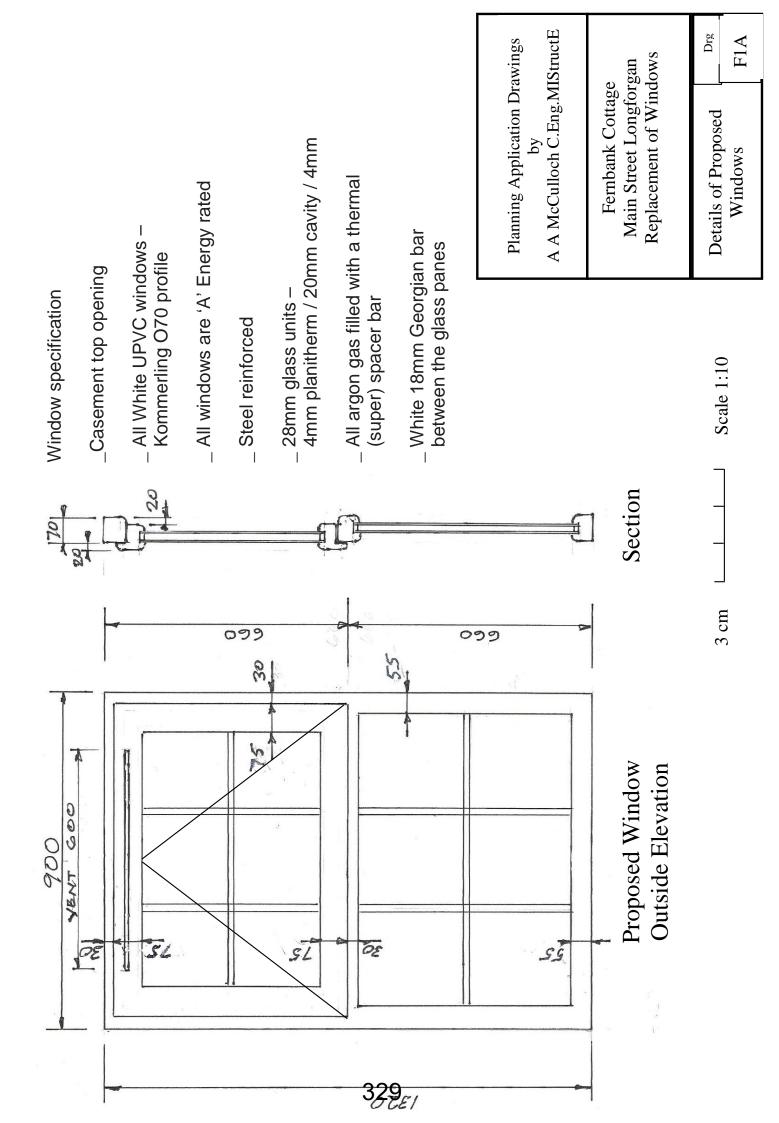


Google Maps 50 Main St, Longforgan, Dundee DD2 5EU











**Planning Appication** 

Fernbank Cottage 50 Main Street Longforgan DD2 5EU Replacement of Windows Outline Details

The House is a semi-detached cottage forming half of a building located in the conservation village of Longforgan. However, the building is not one of the listed buildings in the village.

The houses on each half of the semi have different style of windows.

The existing windows are not original and are single glazed top opening casement. The intention is to upgrade the insulation value of the windows and prevent condensation.

The replacement windows will also be top opening casement but will be double glazed which will require the frames to be slightly heavier than existing. The frames will be UPVC to minimise maintenance and give long term sustainability. The use of UPVC is not unique in the village and the style of the windows proposed will match the appearance of others in the same proximity.