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Dear Mrs Sadighi

RR2020/1175. Alterations and replacement windows, 35 Park Road Bexhill

We have previously indicated our concerns in relation to these plans. We do not accept as valid the applicant's notion that the design approach should be to modernise by referring to the De La Warr pavilion and using grey as a predominant feature. We think that the traditional local alternative to exposed brickwork, namely white render should continue to be used and if the failures of recent works on the existing render are severe then it should be stripped back and replaced by new.

We do not accept boarding as a suitable alternative in this prominent position in the Conservation Area, it is not traditional and will ill suit the character of the building. The additional flat roofed storey on the corner feature does nothing to improve the appearance of the building and rather detracts from it. If such feature is to be accepted it should at least be topped by a conical roof such as the one at the junction of Park Road and Egerton Road.

We believe it to be essential that all replaced sash windows should incorporate original features such as including "Georgian" upper sash glazing bars. The single pane, apparently side hung casements detract and do not follow traditional lines. We do not think that aluminium windows can satisfactorily incorporate all the features of timber windows to the degree that the latest versions UPVC heritage types have adopted. For this reason we recommend the idea of aluminium windows be dropped in favour of the latest and highest quality UPVC windows incorporating 35-37mm meeting bars, run through horns and mechanical rather than welded joints. A version of these have recently been used at No. 11 Marina opposite the De La Warr pavilion.

We hope you will take up these matters with the applicant or otherwise refuse the application.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'David Beales'.

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