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Householder appeal approved in New Forest National Park for a replacement outbuilding

Ken Parke Planning Consultants are pleased to secure householder planning permission, at appeal, for a replacement outbuilding within the curtilage of a residential property in the New Forest National Park. The proposals followed a previous permission for a replacement outbuilding but sought to replace an existing outbuilding with a slightly larger new structure which was better suited to the needs of the applicant.

The application was refused by the Council as they considered the replacement building to be intrusive by way of its depth and form, fail to be subservient to the main dwelling and for failing to preserve the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

Ken Parke challenged the Council's argument, within his appeal statement, reasoning that the slight increases, over the previous approval, in depth and height were not significant especially when seen in the context of the size of the site and that any visual impact, through the extensive boundary screening, would be negligible. Ken stated... *'The design, scale and form is not excessive and clearly not to the extent of taking the building beyond being subservient.... The proposals simply improve the design of the approved scheme.'*

An Inspector agreed with the appellant and concluded.... *'The development would be of higher quality of design than the existing outbuildings..... Overall, the development would have a beneficial effect on the character and appearance of the area generally.....'*