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Dear Miss Jenman,

**Proposed Garden Room at 'Brick House', West Street, Pembridge, Herefordshire.
Grade II listed building.
Planning Application No DCNW2007/3729/F**

Further to my letter of 28 January 2008 and our subsequent telephone conversations I am enclosing six copies of amended drawings Nos AMBHP/30C and AMBHP/31C indicating further amendments to deal with the kitchen window situation of 'West End', the property lying on the eastern boundary of my Clients' site.

The drawings now indicate that the distance between the proposed Garden Room and the adjacent kitchen window will be 2.2m, rather than the 1.6m previously shown. Also, in order to improve daylighting to 'West End', the pitch of the Garden Room roof has been reduced from 45°, as previously suggested, to 30°. The roof tiles will be light in colour and treated to retain their reflectivity.

To brighten and improve the space between and 'West End' and the proposed Garden Room, which is presently dark and dull, being formed on one side by my Clients dark brown DIY conservatory and on the other by the shrub covered wall of 'West End', new and existing walls will be painted white, shrubbery will be removed and a light reflective paving will be laid. The dark fencing panel separating the 'light well' from my Clients' garden can also be removed to open up the space to daylight.

The alterations outlined in the above paragraphs will allow direct lighting at sill level to 'West End' from when the sun is overhead until it reaches an angle of 30° in the west. Also, direct evening light from will continue into the kitchen until the sun is at an angle of 16°. The 'light well' onto which the kitchen of 'West End' looks will be much brighter and the emission of light much improved. The level of lighting to 'West End' will be further improved if the windows are cleaned regularly, the window frames painted, and internal finishes and decorations made light and reflective. Externally, the removal of shrubs and plants surrounding the kitchen window of 'West End' will allow additional light to enter the room as well as brightening up the 'light well'.

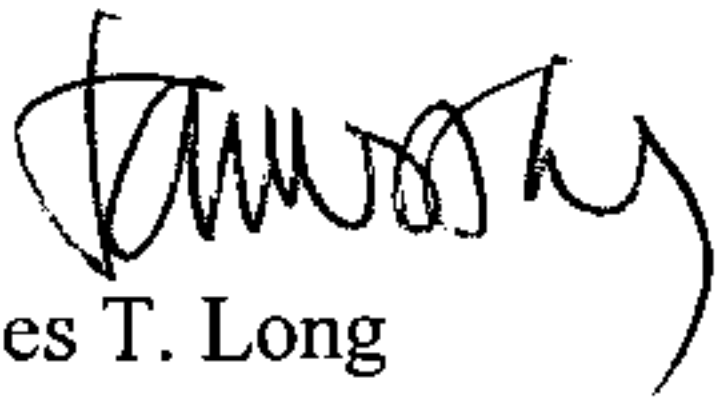
It should be noted that the kitchen window sill to 'West End' is relatively high, being approximately 1.2 m above ground level. This allows longer periods of direct sunlight to enter the room than would have been the case had the window had been lower. It should also be noted that the kitchen window is in the shadow of 'West End' until the sun is overhead and that, for considerable periods of time, this window would be in the shadow of 'Brick House', even if there were no extension.

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In my view, my Clients have now agreed to every reasonable amendment to this simple and straightforward proposal. The Garden Room, as now proposed, would greatly improve the existing situation both from an aesthetic point of view and in relation to the light to 'West End'. I therefore see no sustainable planning reason why this much amended proposal should not receive planning approval.

When you have looked at the above comments and perused the drawings I would welcome the opportunity to discuss the scheme with you, if you would kindly telephone.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James T. Long', written in a cursive style.

James T. Long