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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1971, SECTION 36 AND SCHEDULE 9 APPLICATION NO:- 4/1315/81

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- I refer to this appeal, which I have been appointed to determine, against the decision of the Dacorum District Council to refuse planning permission for repositioning the boundary fence at No 20 Bridle Way, Berkhamsted, Herts. I have considered the written representations made by you, by the council and also those made by one other interested person. I inspected the site on 4 May 1982.
- No 20 Bridle Way lies on the junction of 2 roads, Bridle Way and Haynes Mead, in the Chiltern Park housing estate, Berkhamsted. The proposal is to reposition the existing boundary fence by moving it north by about 2 ft 3 ins at the west end and by about 15 ft at the east end and by further extending it to the east and south. The fence will then be 3 ft 3 ins from the public footpath along its length.
- The main issues in this case are whether the proposed development would adversely affect the visual amenities of the area and would be detrimental to the street scene.
- I noted that generally along Bridle Way and Haynes Mead there is an impression of openness in the layout and particularly so at your corner site. Your proposal to move your fence as indicated and taking in more of your frontage to the north and east with a new 18 ft wide fence returning to your garden path would result in closing the present view when turning into Haynes Mead from Bridle Way and I believe this would be detrimental to the street scene. It would also have a visual impact when coming along Haynes Mead to the junction with Bridle Way.
- You have commented that a fence along the public footpath in Bridle Way has been erected by the occupier of No 46 Long View which also is a corner site. However I do not think this is comparable with your situation as the view to the north of Long View along Bridle Way is closed by garages built close to the public footpath.
- I have considered all other matters raised in the written representations but am of the opinion that they do not carry sufficient weight to override the considerations that have led to my decision.

7. For the above reasons, and in exercise of the powers transferred to me. I-

✓ I am Sir
✓ Your obedient Servant

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