

Please see below correspondence explaining the changes made.

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Date: 12 May 2015 at 12:57  
Subject: Re Mill Hey Croft, Chatburn. Proposed extension.  
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Adam,

Thank you for the further comments. I was disappointed that what we had discussed as acceptable was not accepted when sent back to you. I have discussed this with the applicants and the conclusion is that they have agreed to offer the following compromises:

1. Your request to reduce the size of the new bedroom window in the existing gable from a double to a single width.  
The client wishes to offer a compromise as this is the main bedroom window: by reducing the height of the window heads making the window height 900mm (with a 900mm cill height) matching the other existing windows, but keep the double window width.
2. Your request to reduce the size of the extension gable glazing: the client has sent the attached photos of the adjacent barn conversion are helpful in that it has similar full height glazing. Again I suggest a compromise of say approx. 2.4 metre wide glazing (retained as full height) in three panes with stone facing to the rest of the wall either side. (see attached revised drawings)
3. Your request to reduce the size of the extension from 6 metres to 3.5 metres;  
The client thought this to be an unreasonable request especially so as it had not been raised initially. It seems unreasonable largely because it would make it impossible to provide the required accommodation. It is not possible to provide a reasonable / normal sized double bedroom and ensuite with a 3.5 metre extension. The clients will soon be a family of 5 with twins expected at present and the accommodation indicated will be needed. They are also changing their longer term plans to move as Damien has changed his job and is now a coach at Blackburn Rovers. So this house will be their home for the foreseeable future.  
The only possible compromise whilst retaining reasonable room sizes would be to offer the centralised extension shown with a reduced projection of 5.5 metres externally instead of 6 metres. This still provides the accommodation required with only minor reduction and changes internally. The central extension also has the advantage of having less visual impact due to its location. It will not be possible to see it from the public road side (south and east side) of the church and house nor from the public side of the churchyard. It will also have a much reduced visual presence from the north side of the churchyard as it is further away from the churchyard and the wall and levels help.
4. Omission of the timber cladding and having the walls stone faced is agreed for the extension gable. 4. The request for traditional pattern of windows facing the church yard has also been accepted and shown.

If a meeting would be helpful I am willing to meet you again to discuss these revisions. Otherwise if these changes offered are agreed as acceptable as a reasonable compromise (see attached drawings) we will proceed to make the planning application.

regards,  
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