


Report to be read in conjunction with the Decision Notice.

Signed:	Officer:	EP	Date:	11/03/2026	Manager:	KH	Date:	12/03/26
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Application Ref:	3/2026/0080			 Ribble Valley Borough Council <small>www.ribblevalley.gov.uk</small>				
Date Inspected:	N/A	Site Notice:	N/A					
Officer:	EP							
DELEGATED ITEM FILE REPORT:					APPROVAL			

Development Description:	Prior notification for proposed single-storey rear extension under Part 1 Class A of the GDPO.
Site Address/Location:	Mearley Lodge, Primrose Road, Clitheroe BB7 1DR.

CONSULTATIONS:	Parish/Town Council
No comments received.	

CONSULTATIONS:	Highways/Water Authority/Other Bodies
LCC Highways:	N/A

CONSULTATIONS:	Additional Representations.
No comments received.	

RELEVANT POLICIES AND SITE PLANNING HISTORY:

The proposal is assessed against the provisions of Schedule 2 Part 1 Class A of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended).

Relevant Planning History:

2024/0548: Proposed single-storey extension with lantern light to front. (approved with conditions).

2020/0147: Proposed two storey extension to side. (approved with conditions).

ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:

Site Description and Surrounding Area:

The application relates to a detached property within a large residential curtilage within the settlement boundary of Clitheroe. The surrounding area is predominantly residential in nature.

Proposed Development for which consent is sought:

Consent is sought for the construction of a flat roof single storey extension at Mearley Lodge, Clitheroe. The applicant seeks determination as to whether the above proposal requires prior approval by the Council.

Observations/Consideration of Matters Raised/Conclusion:

Permitted development rights are a right to make certain changes to a building or land without the need to apply for planning permission. These derive from a general planning permission granted from Parliament, rather than from permission granted by the local planning authority.

In some circumstances local planning authorities can suspend permitted development rights in their area. Local planning authorities have powers under Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 to remove permitted development rights. While article 4 directions are confirmed by local planning authorities, the Secretary of State must be notified, and has wide powers to modify or cancel most article 4 directions.

A.1 Development is not permitted by Class A if:

(a) permission to use the dwellinghouse as a dwellinghouse has been granted only by virtue of Class M, N, P or Q of Part 3 of this Schedule (changes of use);

Permission for use as a dwellinghouse was not granted by virtue of Class M, N, P or Q of Part 3.

(b) as a result of the works the total area of ground covered by buildings within the curtilage of the dwelling house (other than the original dwelling house) would exceed 50% of the total area of the curtilage (excluding the ground area of the original dwelling house);

The proposed extension would not exceed 50% of the total area of curtilage of the property.

(c) the height of the part of the dwelling house enlarged, improved or altered would exceed the height of the highest part of the roof of the existing dwelling house;

The height of the proposed extension would not exceed the height of the existing dwelling.

(d) the height of the eaves of the part of the dwelling house enlarged or improved or altered would exceed the height of the eaves of the existing dwelling house;

The height of the eaves of the proposed extension would not exceed the height of the eaves of the existing dwellinghouse.

(e) the enlarged part of the dwelling house would extend beyond a wall which –

(i) fronts a highway; and

(ii) forms either the principal elevation or a side elevation of the original dwelling house;

The proposed extension would not extend beyond a wall which is considered to front a highway.

(f) subject to paragraph (g), the enlarged part of the dwelling house would have a single storey and –

(i) extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwelling house by more than 4 metres in the case of a detached dwelling house or 3 metres in the case of any other dwelling house, or

(ii) exceed 4 metres in height;

N/A

(g) For a dwellinghouse not on article 2(3) land nor on a site of special scientific interest, the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse would have a single storey and –

(i) extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by more than 8 metres in the case of a detached dwellinghouse, or 6 metres in the case of any other dwellinghouse, or

(ii) exceed 4 metres in height;

The proposed single storey extension would extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by 7.125 metres and measure 2.855 metres in height.

- h) the enlarged part of the dwelling house would have more than one storey and –
(i) extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwelling house by more than 3 metres, or be within 7 metres of any boundary of the curtilage of the dwelling house opposite the rear wall of the dwelling house;

The proposed extension would be single storey.

- (i) the enlarged part of the dwelling house would be within 2 metres of the boundary of the curtilage of the dwelling house, and the height of the eaves of the enlarged part would exceed 3 metres;

The proposed single storey extension would not be sited within 2 metres of the boundary of the curtilage but will measure approximately 2.85 metres in height to the eaves.

- (j) the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse would extend beyond a wall forming a side elevation of the original dwellinghouse, and would –

- (i) exceed 4 metres in height,
(ii) have more than one storey, or
(iii) have a width greater than half the width of the original dwellinghouse; or

The proposed extension adjoins an existing part of the dwelling that extends out resulting in side elevations. However, the total width of the proposed extension would not be greater than half the width of the original dwelling.

- (k) it would consist of or include—
(i) the construction or provision of a veranda, balcony or raised platform,
(ii) the installation, alteration or replacement of a microwave antenna,
(iii) the installation, alteration or replacement of a chimney, flue or soil and vent pipe, or
(ii) an alteration to any part of the roof of the dwellinghouse.

The proposal does not consist of any of the above criteria.

Conditions A.3

Development is permitted by Class A subject to the following conditions—

- a) the materials used in any exterior work (other than materials used in the construction of a conservatory) must be of a similar appearance to those used in the construction of the exterior of the existing dwellinghouse

The proposed materials are render to the elevations to match the existing dwelling with uPVC windows and doors.

The building is not within a World Heritage Site, a National Park, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty or the Broads.

The proposal meets the above criteria to be classed as permitted development.

Residents from adjacent properties have been informed of the proposal and no objections have been received. On the basis of the above, prior approval is not required for the proposed development.

RECOMMENDATION:	Prior approval not required.
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