

From: Planning Policy
Subject: FW: Regarding proposed changes to East Budleigh's Settlement Boundary

Dear Madam / Sir,

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My wife and I own the property Rohallion in Vicarage Road, East Budleigh and have just become aware of an EDDC proposal to alter the Settlement Boundary in a manner that impacts on our property. The whole of our property is currently within the Development Boundary. The plan on your website indicates a proposed alteration which moves the boundary to within our property and actually cuts our existing garage in two.

There can be no rationale for this. The land that would be taken outside the Development Boundary is merely a few feet and certainly insufficient to develop a new property of any kind. We believe that the proposed new boundary line is simply a transcriptional error and seek clarification that we are correct in our assumption. **Obviously, if the proposal is the Development Boundary should bisect our garage and property we object to it.**

We have been in touch with East Budleigh Parish Councillor Mr David Wensley and the Clerk to the Council, Mrs Judith Venning, both of whom suggested that the plan as appears on your website contains several drafting, transcriptional errors that will be corrected at a later stage. They suggested that EDDC's proposal regarding our particular concern can only be that the new Settlement Boundary will align with the existing boundary of Rohallion and that we should not be worried as it is/ will not be EDDC's intention that the new boundary should impact at all on Rohallion. My wife and I very much hope they are right. You will note that I have copied them into this communication.

They also advised us that East Budleigh Parish Council has responded to the proposal by suggesting that the Settlement Boundary should remain unaltered.

We have not considered the plan in its entirety but certainly agree that it should not move Ashfield, the house which borders Rohallion in Vicarage Road, beyond the settlement boundary. We acknowledge that the land which lies between Ashfield and the Saleem Chapel, a Grade 2 listed building, might be considered separately.

Finally, we would like to make a suggestion which we hope you will consider as in future it would serve to benefit all parties:

we believe that anyone who stands to be directly affected by a matter like a change to a Settlement Boundary should be advised personally and in writing about this before a formal consultation begins. In our case a short note saying "please see your Parish Council's noticeboards or visit our website" would have alerted us. As it was, we found out when a neighbour knocked on the door with the news which was not the way it should have been.

We would ask that you acknowledge receipt of this email. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Chris Hassell and Wilhelmina Hassell

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