

**Colin Davies**

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**From:** Sir Henry Elwes  
**Sent:** 15 August 2018 12:15  
**To:** Colin Davies  
**Cc:** Robin Hughes  
**Subject:** 18/01432/LBC - Little Colesbourne Farm, Withington

Dear Mr Davies

I note the enforcement action proposed for the above application which you have refused and would hope that commonsense might prevail and that any action is withdrawn so that a sensible dialogue might take place.

To the best of my knowledge Colesbourne Estate has been fastidious in its compliance with planning consents for almost 60 years, but am aware that my son, John Elwes, has unfortunately replaced a derelict wall without proper Listed Building consent but you had already given consent for an alternative access to the farmhouse (17/00438/FUL) and so it seemed reasonable to him to replace the existing wall and gate to the house but you refused this.

In the hope of arriving at a sensible compromise I then paid £600.00 for a "Pre-App" consultation but this was attended on 7 August 2017 only by Planning Officer, Andrew Moody, when the matters at issue were raised by a Conservation Officer. This was an unfortunate omission as he was insufficiently briefed for the meeting. However, it was proposed to reduce the height of the wall and to finish it with "cock & hen" stones to match the wall on the opposite side of the road. The proposal would have opened up the farmhouse view and be no more restrictive than many walls around other nearby listed buildings. Photographs had been given to show these.

After waiting 14 weeks I had to ask for a response which was finally received on 14 November 2017. The response was very carefully considered and a new application submitted to reduce the wall still further to the same height as the dilapidated one it replaced. The refusal of this is now the subject of your enforcement order.

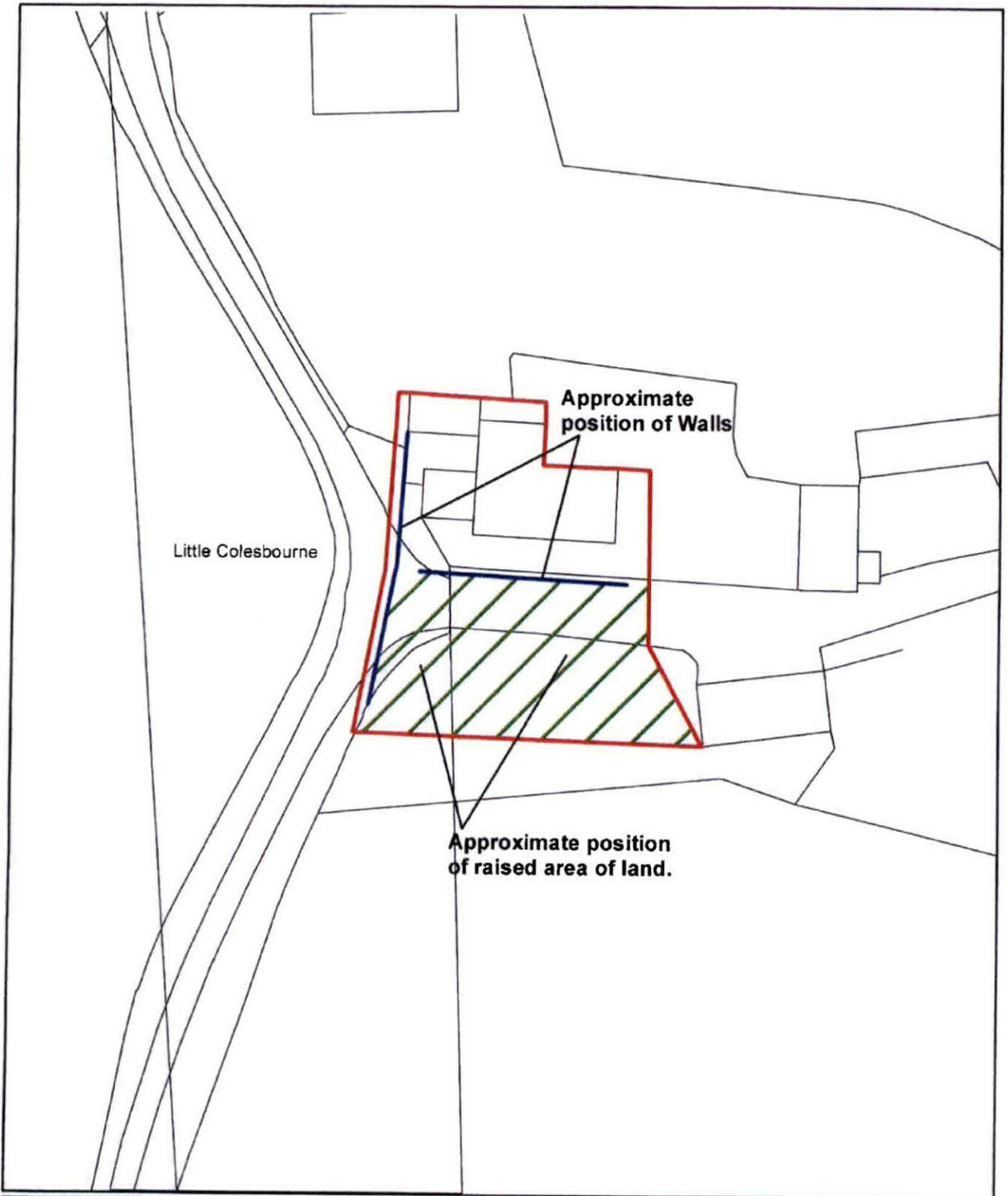
I think you will agree that the old wall was almost non-existent and the replacement is of much higher quality workmanship and enhances the area considerably. This wall is proposed to be reduced considerably thus opening up the view of the house and buildings although I do not believe that obstructing views is grounds for a refusal. Furthermore there have been several instances of my son's teenage daughters being harassed from the roadway and a secure barrier is of vital importance to their safety.

I have to say that, while I fully accept that an error was made by my son, every effort has been made to seek a reasonable compromise with your Council, but I have been disappointed in the response and the failure of your Conservation Officer to enter into discussions.

Yours sincerely

HWG Elwes

Colesbourne Estate  
Nr Cheltenham  
Glos GL53 9NP



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**Enforcement Plan**

Little Colesbourne, Withington,  
Cheltenham, Glos.

Scale: 1:500

Date: 17 May 2017

Reference: 16/00127/ENF

Enforcement Plan No: E1095



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Listing Description

SP 01 SW

WITHINGTON -

Listed Building Ref: 12/7/153

Little Colesborne GV

Grade: Grade II

Detached house. Early-mid C17 and C19. Coursed squared and dressed limestone, stone slate roof, stone stacks. Rectangular main body with C19 extension at left gable end. Two storey, 3- windowed facade lit by 2, 3 and 4-light double-chamfered, stone- mullioned casements, stopped hoods over first floor windows. Four- light stone-mullioned casement with king mullion to right of front door. String between ground and first floor. C19 front door with fillets off-centre left within flat-chamfered basket-headed surround with stopped hood. Single storey C19 extension set back on left with 2- light, double-chamfered stone-mullioned surround. All steel casements with glazing bars. Stepped gable end coping and gable end stacks to main body and C19 extension. Right gable end of main body hipped with fine twin diagonal gable end stack with moulded capping and dentil moulding. Interior not inspected. ,



AGENDA ITEM 10  
Appendix D





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**To:** Colin Davies  
**Subject:** Image date April 2011



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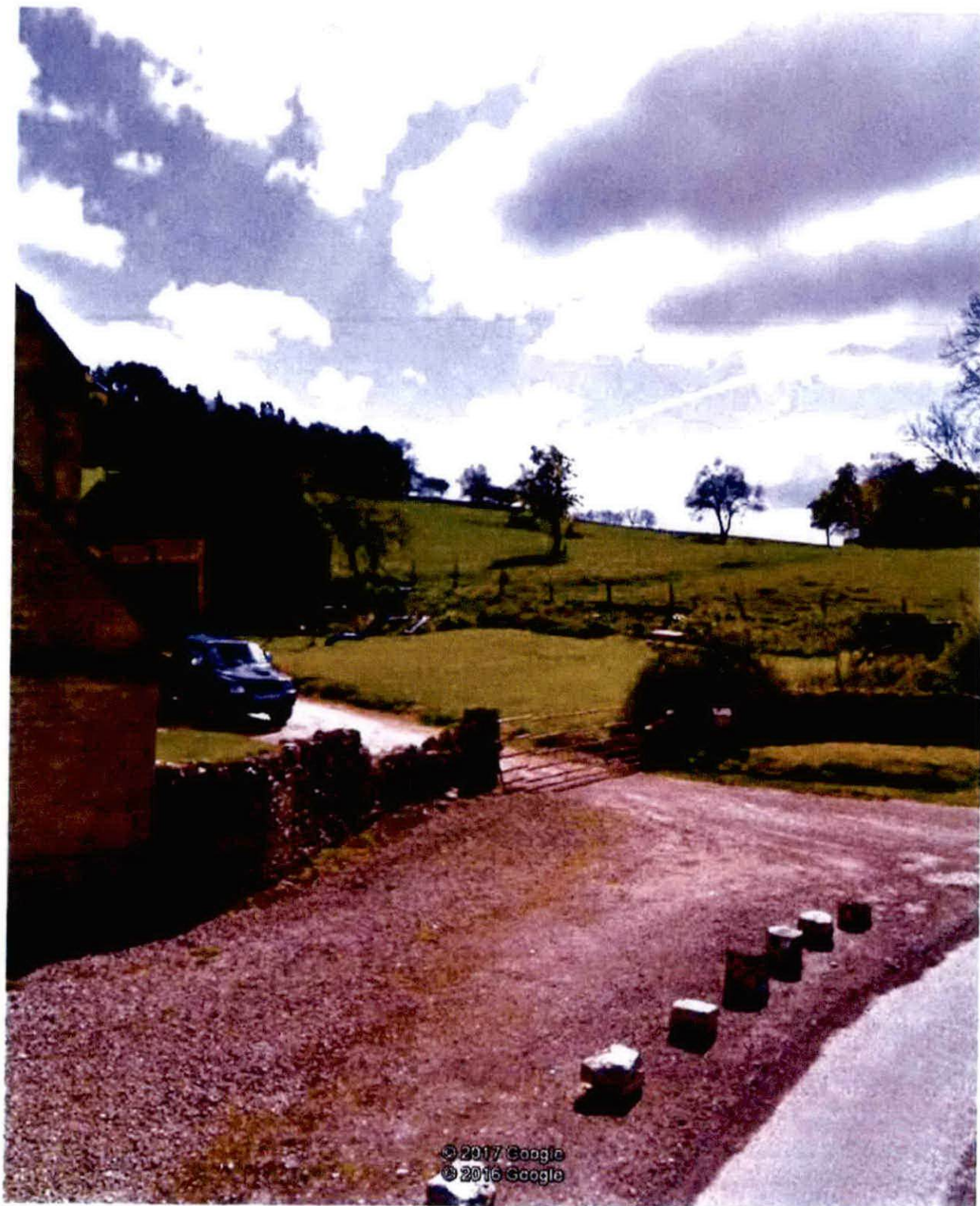




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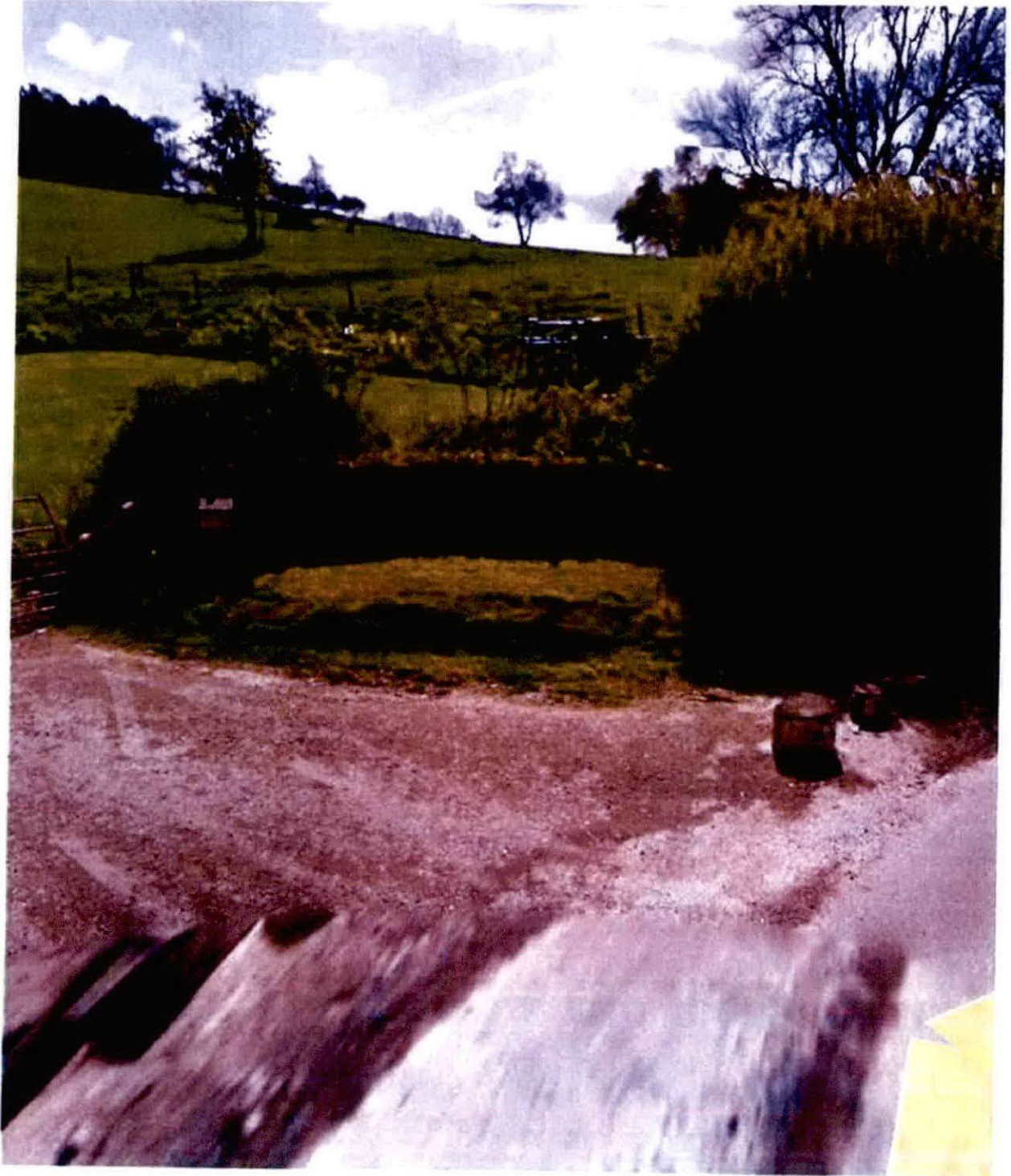
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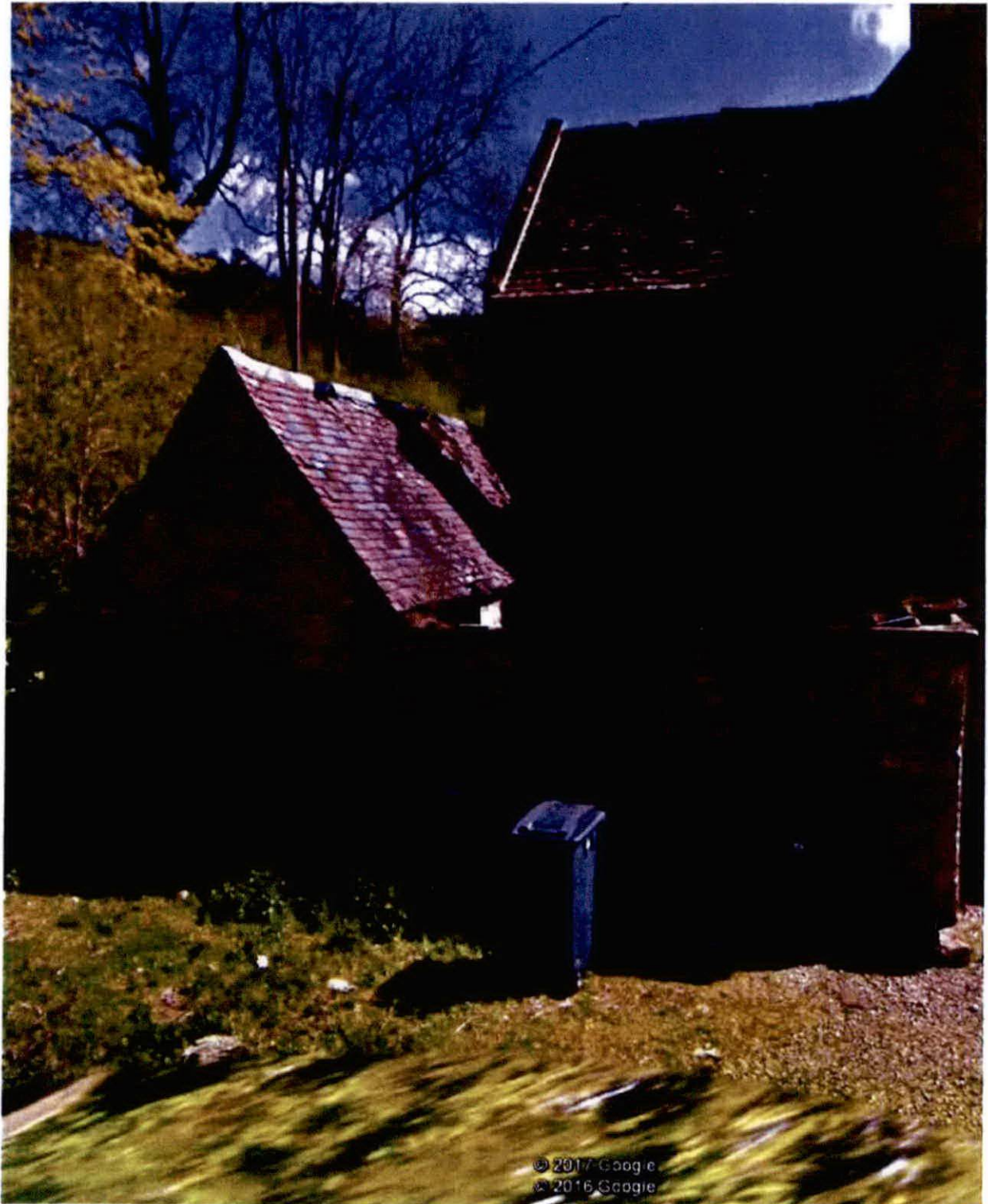
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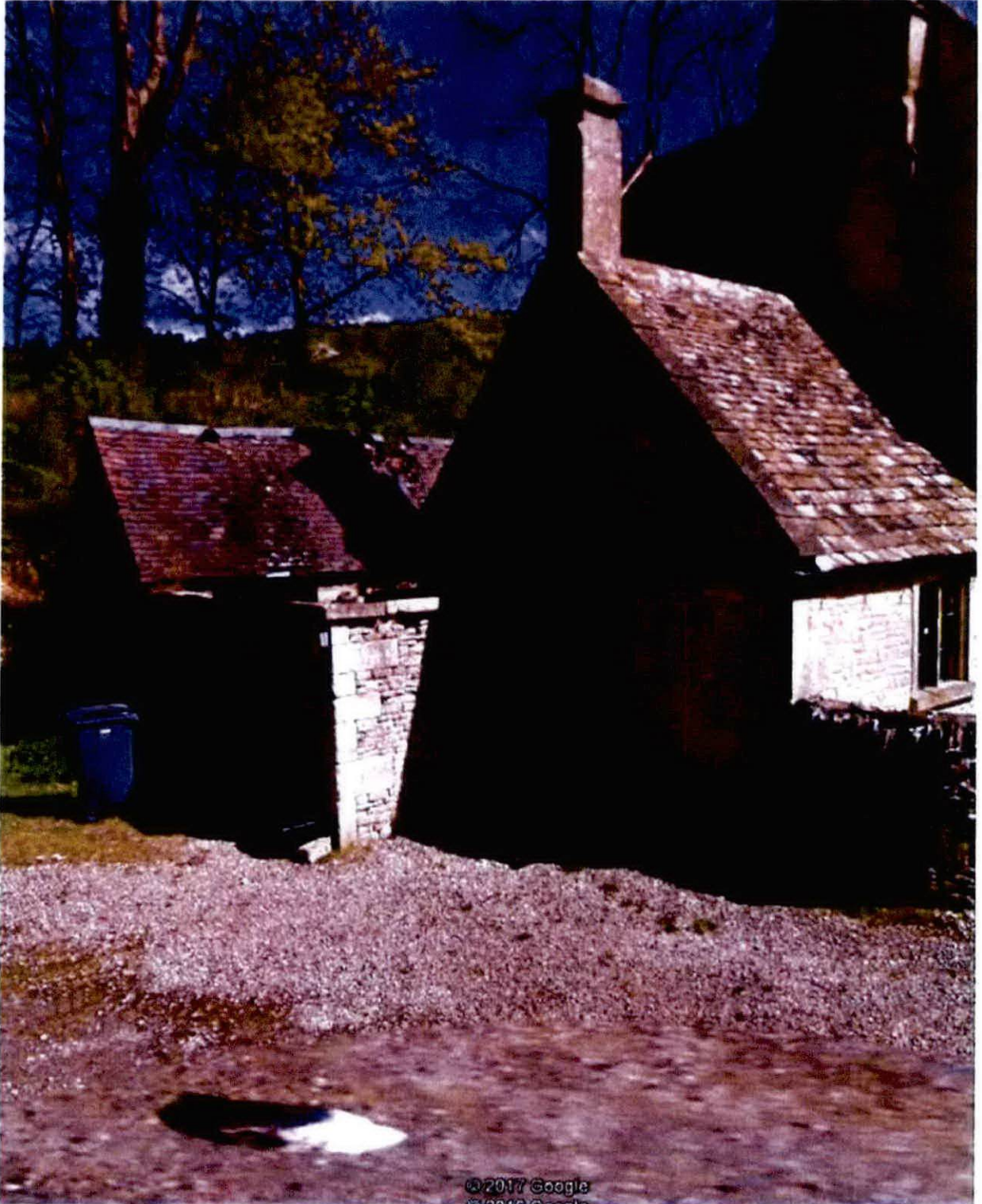


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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

**REFUSAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION**

Agent  
Foundations Architects  
Old Chambers  
93-94 West Street  
Farnham  
GU9 7EB

Applicant  
J Elwes  
Little Colesbourne Farm  
Little Colesbourne  
Withington  
GL53 9NR

**Replacement garden wall (retrospective) at Little Colesbourne Farm  
Withington Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 9NR**

**APPLICATION REF: 17/00620/FUL  
FILE REF: CD.9637/A**

**DATE 11th April 2017**

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**DECISION NOTICE**

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The proposals involve demolition of a number of sections of drystone wall and construction of new verge and considerably taller drystone wall to block the historic site access. The demolition of the historic sections of drystone wall is considered to be harmful to the character, special architectural and historic interest and setting of Little Colesbourne and the setting of the adjacent Listed Buildings through loss of historic fabric, loss of characteristic and attractive features and harm to the legibility of the historic layout and hierarchy of the site.

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PLANNING (LISTED BUILDING AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990**

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FILE REF: CD.9637/B**

**DATE: 11th April 2017**

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**Retention of boundary wall at reduced height to include cock and hen top  
at Little Colesbourne Farm Withington Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53  
9NR**

**APPLICATION REF: 18/01431/FUL  
FILE REF: CD.9637/D**

**DATE 20th June 2018**

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**Note: Statement in respect of the positive and proactive approach undertaken by the Local Planning Authority**

In accordance with the requirements of paragraphs 186 and 187 of the NPPF, the Local Planning Authority has worked with the applicant(s) in a positive and proactive manner that improve the economic, social and environmental conditions of the area and in order to seek solutions to overcome the planning objections and the conflict with Development Plan Policy. Negotiations have, however, been unsuccessful in this case to achieve sustainable development.

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*Kevin Field*

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