



Old King's Highway Regional Historic District Commission  
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PAUL J. WHITE, CAROL M. WHITE )  
and H. EUGENE CARR, )  
Appellants )  
VS. )  
TOWN OF SANDWICH HISTORIC )  
DISTRICT COMMITTEE )  
Appellee )

No. 78-2

DECISION ON APPEAL TO  
THE ABOVE COMMISSION

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A hearing was held on May 16, 1978 by the above Commission upon the appeal by the above appellants from the decision of the Town of Sandwich Historic District Committee granting a certificate of appropriateness to John E. Conway for the demolition of an existing building at No. 128 Route 6A, Sandwich, and the erection of a new commercial building on the same plot of land. Appellants were present and represented by Jonathan D. Fitch, Esq. John E. Conway was present and represented by Joseph P. Dunn, Esq. Also present were Commission members Bourne, of Sandwich, chairman, Bonner, of Brewster, Luoni, of Bourne, Marsh, of Dennis, MacSwan, of Barnstable, and Cole, of Yarmouth. Pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Regulations, Mr. Bourne, chairman of the Sandwich Committee, abstained from voting.

From the evidence it appeared that the building site is on a section of Route 6A constructed in the 1930's to bypass the Sandwich central village and Old Main Street. The neighboring buildings are commercial in character and are an architecturally undistinguished and heterogeneous group. The proposed new building is of conservative contemporary design, in scale and compatible with neighboring buildings, using to advantage various features frequently employed in the past in regional architecture, such as the hip roof, white cedar shingles and white trim. The site is to be attractively landscaped and laid out to comply with local by-laws as to parking and the like.

Appellants contended that the building was not appropriate within the meaning of the Regional Historic District Act, admitted that the building was an attractive structure, but contended that it did not sufficiently imitate early Cape Cod architecture.

This Commission found that the proposed building was architecturally appropriate to the site and compatible with and a distinct visual improvement over the neighboring buildings; that it fully met the standards of appropriateness imposed by the Regional Historic District Act. The Commission therefore found that the Sandwich Committee had properly issued the certificate under review and unanimously voted to affirm that Committee's decision.

May 18, 1978

*Ronald Bourne*  
Commission Chairman