

THE
HASLEMERE
SOCIETY



23 June 2016

Planning Dept.,
Waverley Borough Council,
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Dear Sirs,

Planning Application 2016/1032
31 Hill Road, Haslemere.

As will be noted from the planning history of this site this applicant has tried on numerous occasions to get approval for a third house on this site, even going to appeal and on each occasion approval has been refused for good and consistent reasons.

The first application 2009/0260 resulted in an approval for TWO houses on the condition that no building shall be erected on the area to the east of the easternmost unit in the interests of the visual amenities of the area in accordance with policies D1, D4 and HE3. The application located the two houses to the west of the site with an unrealistically large garden to the east of the second house – clearly with the future intention of building a third house in that garden. The information note 6 of this approval made it clear that a third house on the Shepherds Down Cottage site was not acceptable, but the applicant continues with his objective of building a third house.

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To Waverley Borough Council Re 2016/1032 Cont'd.

The Haslemere Society understood that the requirement in condition 9 of the 2009/0260 approval for an approved landscaping scheme was for the whole of the Shepherds Down Cottage site including the larger garden to the east of the easternmost unit but this conditional requirement has never been met.

The WBC Planning Dept. is requested to check this planning condition and whether an enforcement notice is required to improve the overgrown and unattractive state that this area is now in and which detracts from the character of the area.

In 2013 application 2013/0723 was refused by WBC and subsequently refused by the Appeal Inspector and a further application 2015/1957 was refused by WBC . All these refusals were based on the unacceptable impact of the proposal for a third house on the adjacent listed building and the character and appearance of the surrounding residential area contrary to policies D1 and D4.

Given this long planning history The Haslemere Society wishes to register its strong objections to this application and further attempt to build a third house on this site for the reasons already expressed.

Yours faithfully,

John Greer (Vice Chairman, The Haslemere Society).

