



c/o 37 Stotley Rise,
Haslemere,
Surrey,
GU27 1AG.

21 November 2017.

Dear Sirs,

Ref. APP/R3650/W/3181581

38 & 40 Petworth Road, Haslemere, GU27 2HX.

In response to the Appeal which has been made against the refusal of planning application 2017/0036 by Waverley Borough Council we have reviewed The Haslemere Society's letter of objection dated 22 February 2017 and confirm that we consider that this still represents our view on the application. The appellant has not subsequently submitted any evidence to change our views. We wish though to add the following further comment in the light of the further information submitted by the Appellant:

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To The Planning Inspectorate (Continued)

Drawing number 4894/001G showing highway vision splays was submitted in October 2017. The Haslemere Society and others with local knowledge of traffic conditions have been particularly concerned at the dangers in entering and exiting from properties along this part of the Petworth Road (B2131) due to its narrowness and volume of traffic on what is a busy arterial route into and

from the town. The dangers are especially present for pedestrians due to poor visibility.

The drawing shows a splay point and tactile pedestrian crossing point at a location furthest away from the nearby town centre in order to try to achieve the required splay distance. Human nature being what it is will result in these senior age residents automatically trying to cross to the opposite side of the road (there is no footpath on the nearside) at a point nearest the town where visibility is very poor.

Whilst this section of road is a 30mph area traffic exceeds this speed. We note the 2.4m x 59m vision splay that the local highway authority recommends but this cannot be achieved from a point nearest the town (to the west).

Furthermore we remain unconvinced that the drawing 4894/001G represents the true picture. The splay lines cross areas occupied by vegetation/ hedges which quickly become overgrown and restrict vision. It would seem more logical for the areas of clear vision for both car drivers and pedestrians to be clear of such vegetation areas and give unobstructed views of the trafficked part of the road.

Consequently it is our view that the Appellant has not adequately addressed the road safety aspects nor has he submitted new information to address the Local Authority's reasons for refusal of the application which we considered were entirely valid.

Yours faithfully, John Greer (Vice Chairman, The Haslemere Society)