



The Planning Officer
Waverley Borough Council
Western Planning Committee
BY EMAIL

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Dear Sir

Foxley's (WA/2022/02817) - Objection

The Haslemere Society does not generally comment on applications in respect of single dwellings unless there are matters of wider importance in question. In this case, we consider that there are two such matters, as set out below.

1. Highway safety. The existing and proposed dwellings lie close to a sharp bend in the Petworth Road and are on the inside of that bend. The proposed new access will be even closer than the existing one and the additional property will increase the traffic through the entrance. Particularly taken together with the significant change in level over the site and from the site to the road, it is hard to see how an entrance to the properties in the proposed position could be made safe either for the residents or for other road-users. A similar issue applies to the two proposed laybys on the roadside.
2. Green Belt. The application states that the boundary line of the Green Belt runs along the eastern boundary of the site, so that the new dwelling would be immediately adjacent to it (2m away) but not actually on it. However, the Waverley Planning Map appears to show the boundary running through the middle of the site on which the new building is proposed to be built. If that is correct, the proposed dwelling would be at least partly on Green Belt land. No doubt the Planning Officers will make their own determination on this point, but should the land be within the Green Belt, the Society would also object on those grounds.

Yours Sincerely

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(on behalf of The Haslemere Society Planning Group)