



The Planning Officer
Waverley Borough Council
Western Planning Committee
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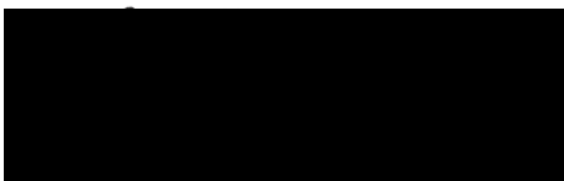
Dear Sir

Town House, High Street (WA/2022/00816) - Comment

The Haslemere Society does not wish to object to this application. However, we would make the following comments:

1. The subject building is Grade II* listed and therefore an additional level of care should be taken to preserve its special interest. It is also a focal building within the conservation area. If a larger garden were available the pool could have been proposed farther away from the listed building in a defined, and visually contained area. It is noted that the proposed location is the least harmful in the subject land ownership but the LPA will no doubt ponder on whether a swimming pool is appropriate in such close proximity to the main house.
2. If it is minded to grant permission, we would recommend the LPA require any swimming pool be specified to be small in size, the swimming pool, paving stones, pool hut etc. to be kept to a very limited part of the plot, and, ideally, to be visually shielded by a hedge or fence from views from the main house. We would also recommend that a more traditional design be considered for the front railings and gate, suitable for the character of the listed building, especially given its prominence adjacent to the front elevation and on the most important elevation of the building as seen within the conservation area. The proposed design of the sliding rear gates could also be more traditional or contemporary and low-key.

Yours Sincerely



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(on behalf of The Haslemere Society Planning Group)