



HASLEMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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Planning & Highways Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at 7pm on 14 September 2023
Town Hall, High Street, Haslemere GU27 2HG

Chairman	Cllr Weldon*
Vice Chairman	Cllr Robini*
Councillors	Aslam*, Bridge*, Carter*, Davidson, Keen* & Miller*

*Present

Meeting clerked by: Pippa Auger, Deputy Town Clerk.

In attendance: member of the public

108/23 Apologies for absence

The committee accepted the absence of Cllr Davidson (prior appointment)

109/23 Declarations of Interests

Cllrs Keen, Robini & Weldon declared non-registrable interests as members of the WBC Area Planning Committee. They all reserve the right to change the tone or content of their opinion when presented with further advice from WBC officers or other professionals.

110/23 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held 17 August 2023 were agreed and signed as a true record.

111/23 Representations by the public

None.

112/23 Planning decisions since August 2023 meeting and submitted to WBC – list 21 August 2023

Ref	Site Address	Proposal	Comments
WA/2023/01791	45 WEYCOMBE ROAD HASLEMERE GU27 1EQ	Erection of extensions and alterations including porch and associated works.	No objection
WA/2023/01784	BAYNARDS HILL ROAD HASLEMERE GU27 2JP	Erection of extensions and alterations to existing single storey dwelling to provide a two-storey dwelling (revision of WA/2023/00563).	Extension requested until 15 September 2023
WA/2023/01774	77 KINGS ROAD HASLEMERE GU27 2QG	Certificate of Lawfulness under Section 192 for erection of a front porch.	No objection
WA/2023/01772	SPRINGMERE HINDHEAD ROAD HASLEMERE	Erection of 2 dwellings and associated works including alterations to access and parking following demolition of	Extension requested until 15 September 2023

	GU27 3PL	existing dwelling.	
WA/2023/01802	CALLUNA WHITMORE VALE ROAD HINDHEAD GU26 6JA	Erection of extensions and associated works.	No objection
WA/2023/01780	KEMEYS CHURT ROAD HINDHEAD GU26 6HX	Alterations and extension of existing dormer windows; alterations to ground floor elevation following part demolition of existing conservatory.	No objection

113/23 Planning applications

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WA/2023/01784	BAYNARDS HILL ROAD HASLEMERE GU27 2JP	Erection of extensions and alterations to existing single storey dwelling to provide a two-storey dwelling (revision of WA/2023/00563).	Objection – see comments below
WA/2023/01772	SPRINGMERE HINDHEAD ROAD HASLEMERE GU27 3PL	Erection of 2 dwellings and associated works including alterations to access and parking following demolition of existing dwelling.	No objection
NMA/2023/01851	LAND COORDINATES 490217 132204 SCOTLAND LANE, HASLEMERE	Amendment to WA/2020/1213 to remove the chimney as part of plot 50.	No comment refer to WBC officer
WA/2023/01831	MARKS & SPENCER MARKS AND SPENCER LION GREEN HASLEMERE GU27 1LD	Alterations to car park for the provision of 4 electric vehicle charging bays with their own dedicated charging unit and associated lighting and electrical equipment, including CCTV cameras and 3m poles”	See comments below
WA/2023/01848	67 SUN BROW HASLEMERE GU27 2QL	Construction of a raised decking area with balustrade and erection of a fence.	No objection
WA/2023/01820	47 SUN BROW HASLEMERE GU27 2QL	Certificate of Lawfulness under Section 192 for installation of air source heat pump and rooflight to front first floor elevation.	No objection
NMA/2023/01826	FORMER BARONS HINDHEAD LONDON ROAD HINDHEAD GU26 6AE	Amendment to WA/2021/01950 to amend condition 9 to allow for soakaway testing.	No comment refer to WBC officer
WA/2023/01872	HIGH GREEN OLD HASLEMERE ROAD HASLEMERE GU27 2NN	Erection of first floor extension and alterations to elevation; erection of detached garage with external staircase to first floor ancillary accommodation.	No objection

TM/2023/01903	LAND EAST OF SEWAGE WORKS ON TRACK KNOWN AS MUDDY LANE PRESTWICK LANE GRAYSWOOD HASLEMERE	APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO TREES SUBJECT OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER HAS15	No objection subject to tree officer approval
WA/2023/01868	LAND TO THE REAR OF 8 JUNCTION PLACE HASLEMERE GU27 1LE	Alterations and extension to existing building to provide 1 dwelling with parking, bin and cycle store.	Objection – see comments below
TM/2023/01860	5 MALLARD CLOSE HASLEMERE GU27 1QU	APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO TREES SUBJECT OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 23/99	No objection subject to tree officer approval
WA/2023/01880	WHITE COTTAGE CHURT ROAD HINDHEAD GU26 6HX	Alterations to attached garage including pitched roof with installation of Juliet balcony and rooflights to provide habitable accommodation.	No objection
TM/2023/01906	HATHERLEIGH TOWER ROAD HINDHEAD GU26 6SP	APPLICATION FOR REMOVAL OF TREES SUBJECT OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 30/99	No objection subject to tree officer approval
TM/2023/01905	WOODPECKERS LODGE BEACON HILL ROAD HINDHEAD GU26 6QB	APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO TREE SUBJECT OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 04/19	No objection subject to tree officer approval
TM/2023/01938	TOURAINÉ UPLANDS CLOSE HASLEMERE GU27 2BT	APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO AND REMOVAL OF TREES SUBJECT OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 43/07	No objection subject to tree officer approval
WA/2023/01922	THE HEIGHTS, 5 HILL ROAD, HASLEMERE GU27 2JP	Application under Section 73 to vary condition 1 of WA/2022/03067 (approved plans) to allow a change to plots 16 and 17 from 2 bedroom units to 3 bedroom units.	No comment refer to WBC officer
SC/2023/01944	HIGH PITFOLD FARM HIGH PITFOLD HINDHEAD GU26 6BN	Adoption by the Secretary of State for a screening opinion to Install 5m underground line to modify existing overhead line from a single source line to a multi-source line.	No objection

WA/2023/01784 BAYNARDS, HILL ROAD, HASLEMERE, GU27 2JP

The members discussed the application at length and had concerns about the overbearing nature of the proposal; that it was not in keeping with the street scene and it could result in an increased light spill from internal lighting. It also had concerns that it would impact on the wooded appearance of the Haslemere Hillside. The committee voted to **object** to the proposal for the following reasons:

- It appeared to be overbearing and out of keeping with the street scene contrary to policy TD1 of the Local Plan Part 1, DM4 of Local Plan Part 2 and H6 of the Haslemere Neighbourhood Plan.
- It could harm the wooded appearance of the hillside by exposing existing development to view contrary to policy DM17 of the Local Plan Part 2.

- It could result in an increased light spill from internal lighting contrary to H10 of the Haslemere Neighbourhood Plan.

WA/2023/01772 SPRINGMERE, HINDHEAD ROAD, HASLEMERE, GU27 3PL

The committee voted that it had **no objection** to this application.

WA/2023/01868 LAND TO THE REAR OF 8 JUNCTION PLACE, HASLEMERE, GU27 1LE

The committee agreed that the proposal amounted to overdevelopment of the site and voted to **object** to it on those grounds:

- Overdevelopment of the site contrary to policy TD1 of the Local Plan Part 1, DM4 of Local Plan Part 2 and H6 of the Haslemere Neighbourhood Plan.

WA/2023/01831 MARKS & SPENCER, LION GREEN, HASLEMERE, GU27 1LD

There was a lot of discussion around this proposal. The committee felt that on the one hand the proposal was in keeping with its climate emergency declaration. However, the issue with the site already is the lack of parking and to reduce the number of spaces from 6 and replace with 4 EV charging spaces would have a knock on effect by inconveniencing surrounding road users. Lion Lane is already very busy with parked cars and traffic queuing to turn into Lion Lane and again into M&S. By having the EV charging spaces it would encourage people to stay parked longer to get charged up. The committee felt it would be more appropriate to just have 2 charging spaces and voted to offer this comment to WBC.

114/23 HTC representation at Waverley Planning Committee

None.

115/23 Decisions and Appeals

The list was noted.

116/23 Highways Update

There were a number of issues to report to Surrey Highways:

- 1) The surface on Beacon Hill Road is still subsiding. This has been reported Surrey Highways already and should now be referred to Cllr Harmer
- 2) The drains on the A287 which have already been reported to Surrey Highways have still not been jetted and should be referred to Cllr Harmer
- 3) Surface water is now damaging the tarmac at Hillgarth
- 4) The A287 by the Telephone Exchange opposite Stepping Stone is often flooded as the drains are blocked
- 5) Cars are parking on West Street to the left of the Waitrose entrance because the contractors did not repaint the double yellow lines. Cllr Robini confirmed the contractors are due to come back to rectify this.
- 6) Drains need clearing between Parsons Green and Parsons Close
- 7) The slip road between Woodlands and Bracken Hills on Haste Hill was not resurfaced when Haste Hill was, and water is now channelling down the side of the road.

ACTION: Clerk to report all and copy in Cllr Harmer and Cllr Robini where applicable.

117/23 Licensing application – Fresh Deli Italiano

No objection.

118/23 Street Trading license – Little Fish

No objection.

119/23 Next meeting

12 October 2023

Meeting closed at 7.55pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Chairman of Planning