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The Planning Manager, S.O.D.C.
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Dear Sir/Madam

HENLEY SOCIETY COMMENTS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Society's comments on planning applications considered recently are as follows.

- 1. P11/S0099 (amended) – Land at Alameda, Rotherfield Road. Amendment to planning permission P11/E1226 for new house, to include vehicular access from Rotherfield Road.** We share the concern of the Forestry Officer regarding the loss of, or damage to, trees and trust that his assessment will be given full weight.
- 2. P12/ S1004/FUL – 33 St Andrews Road. Construction of new single dwelling.** You refused a similar application for a new building on this site (P10/E2003) and your refusal was upheld on appeal. Reasons stated were as follows. "That having regard to its size, siting, bulk and scale, the proposed building would be overly cramped in its surroundings, would represent an overdevelopment of its site and would detract from the setting of Sussex House, a building of local note. As such the new dwelling would be detrimental to the character and visual amenity of the St Marks Road **Conservation Area**.....That having regard to its size, siting, bulk and scale, the proposed dwelling would materially harm the occupants of neighbouring properties, in particular Sussex House and 35 St Andrews Road". While the present application may be for a slightly smaller building than that in the previous application, all of these reasons for refusal still apply.
- 3. P12/S1033/HH – 19 Gainsborough Road. Demolition of outbuildings and erection of single storey rear extension and attached double garage.** This proposal is overintensive and inappropriate for its location, as surrounding properties are considerably smaller in size. Also the design suggests the possibility of future use for even more living accommodation which would make it still more overintensive and inappropriate.
- 4. P12/S01241/HH – 93 Deanfield Road. Conversion of double garage into habitable room.** We would deplore the permanent loss of garage accommodation and the conversion of the conversion of yet more of the front garden to hardstanding.

We have no objection to, or comments on, the following applications:

P12/S0412 (amended) – Land between 18 and 20 Cromwell Road. Demolition of double garage and erection of dwelling.

P12/S0839/A (amended) – Natwest, 18 Market Place. Signage.

P12/S0789/HH and S0790/LB – Countess Gardens Cottage, 86 Bell Street. Replacement of conservatory roof with tiled pitched roof with conservation roof windows etc.

P12/S0825/CA – Garages at Adwell Square. Removal of 14 garages and provision of parking bays.

P12/S0927 – Former Old White Horse, 100 Northfield End. Change of use to form private house and residential annex.

P12/S0981/HH – Brenham, Western Avenue. Fencing.

P12/S1053/LDP – 101 Mount View. Request for LDC.

P12/S1054/HH – 48 Wilson Avenue. Two storey and single storey rear extension.

P12/S1132/A – Noa Noa, Brooke House, 24B Duke Street. Replacement of fascia sign and installation of hanging sign.

P12/S1139/LB – 16-18 Hart Street. Works to ascertain historical significance in connection with production of Historic Building Assessment etc.

P12/S1143/LB – Basketmakers Cottage, 45 Gravel Hill. Repairs to boundary wall.

P12/S1146/HH – Holly Lodge, Norman Avenue. Erection of two storey side extension and internal alterations.

Yours faithfully

D C Whitehead (Secretary, Planning Committee)