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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. P13/S0342/HH – 12 Grange Road. Single storey rear extension and loft conversion with rear dormer.**
No objection to the rear extension but the large flat-roofed dormer is out of character with its surroundings, especially so in a conservation area.
- 2. P13/S0427/HH; S0450/HH and S0451/CA – 56 Greys Hill. Demolition of conservatory and erection of single-storey ground floor extension and first floor extension; internal alterations.** We are concerned that the first floor extension may create an undesirable precedent for this area: the conservation officer should be consulted. There may also be an undue impact on neighbouring properties.
- 3. P13/S0431/FUL – 53-55 Kings Road. Construction of one 3-bedroom house.** The plot to which this application refers was, until recent months, open to the public. It constitutes a small green oasis that was apparently left deliberately as open space when the neighbouring houses and flats, and those opposite, were built. Its loss would add to the deficiency of parks and gardens in Henley, identified in the Core Strategy, para 10.20. It contains three mature trees, protected by TPO 97/30, that would almost inevitably be harmed, either during construction of the house or by lopping or felling after the house were occupied. The environmental benefit provided by this small corner plot should be conserved.

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

P13/S0265/HH (amended) – Myrtle, Badgemore Lane. Front porch and rear extension.

P13/S0422/FUL and S0423/LB (amended) – North Lea House, 66 Northfield End. Change of use to residential, with alterations.

P13/S0233/FUL – Chef Peking, Market Place. Change from wine bar to licensed restaurant to allow change in trading hours.

P13/S0421/HH – 15 Makins Road. Rear extension, front extension to garage, replacement porch etc.

P13/S0433/A – LloydsTSB Bank, 1 Reading Road. Replacement of existing signage.

P13/S0446/HH – 28 Ancastle Green. Conversion of garage with an extension; formation of new car parking space.

P13/S0467/HH – 6 Niagara Road. Single storey rear extension etc. Subject to approval by the conservation officer.

P13/S0502/HH – 8 Ruperts Lane. Erection of carport.

P13/S0515/HH – 38 Western Road. Demolition of conservatory; erection of single storey extension; alterations to garage.

P13/S0530/HH – 136 Greys Road. Demolition of garage and erection of two-storey extension. Subject to the views of neighbours.

P13/S0569/A – Tesco Stores, 359 Reading Road. Erection of non-illuminated sign to 'Click & Collect'.

P13/S0622/FUL – Tesco Stores, 359 Reading Road. Change of use of 9 parking spaces to car wash/ valeting operation, including canopy and office.

P13/S0623/A – Tesco Stores, 359 Reading Road. Advertisements for car-wash.

P13/S0599/HH – 204 Greys Road. Two-storey and single storey extensions. Subject to the views of neighbours.

P13/S0619/A – HIQ Tyres, 345 Reading Road. Erection of non-illuminated totem sign. Subject to the views of neighbours.

P13/S0670/LB – 1 Wharfe Lane. Reconfiguration of ground floor.

Yours faithfully

D C Whitehead (Secretary, Planning Committee)