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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. P12/S2260/FUL(amended) – La Bodega Tapas, 38 Hart Street. Housing for refrigeration plant.** No objection provided that sufficient noise insulation is installed to prevent a nuisance to neighbours.
- 2. P12/S2490/FUL & 2491/A(amended) – Clinton Cards, 15 Bell Street. Installation of new shop front, fascia etc including projecting sign.** The amended application is a considerable improvement on the original. However, further improvement would be achieved by ensuring that the projecting sign is of the 'hanging' type in traditional style and materials; and if the large plate glass window were to be subdivided vertically.
- 3. P12/S2279/HH and 2280/LB – Phyllis Court Club, Phyllis Court Drive. Alterations to listed building.** We have some reservations regarding the appearance of the building from the south-west and question the need for two lift towers.
- 4. P12/S2518/LPD – 40 Gainsborough Road. Rear dormer and front rooflights.** This proposal would have a major impact on the appearance of the house and its surroundings; and the long flat-roofed dormer and front rooflights would be totally out of character with the neighbouring area.
- 5. P12/S2630/LB – 61 Friday Street. Replacement of existing windows and front entrance door.** No objection in principle to this proposal but it is noted that some machine damage has been caused to the brickwork of this listed building (below the ground floor window).

6. **P12/S2705/LDP – 26 Belle Vue Road. Construction of pitched roof dormers to side and rear elevations.** This proposal has the potential to result in considerable overlooking of neighbours.
7. **P12/S2772/HH – 46 St Andrews Road. Demolition of existing rear conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension.** This property is in a Conservation Area and is a 'building of local significance'. The design would be improved if the style of the new ground floor windows matched more closely those at the first floor, and if timber rather than aluminium were used in the construction.

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

**P12/S1916/FUL(amended) – Garages at New Street. Demolition of garages and construction of dwelling house and terrace of double garages.**

**P12/S2015/HH (amended)– 8 Ruperts Lane. Demolition of single storey kitchen and bathroom and erection of extensions.**

**P12/S2175/FUL(amended) – Land between 18 and 20 Cromwell Road. Replacement single storey rear extension.**

**P12/S2519/HH - 40 Gainsborough Road. Single storey front extension.**

**P12/S2521/HH – 80 Makins Road. Single storey rear extension.**

**P12/S2579/ HH – 56 Harpsden Road. Single storey rear extension.**

**P12/S2631/LB – 57-61 Friday Street. Replace existing with natural slate.**

**P12/S2673/HH – 28 Coldharbour Close. Extensions.**

**P12/S2674/HH – Manor Garden, Finlay Drive. Two-bay oak-frame car port.**

**P12/S2738/HH and 2797/LB– Blandy Cottage, 29a Hart Street. Refurbishment of existing outbuilding.**

**P12/S2755/HH – 183 Reading Road. Single storey rear extension.**

Yours faithfully

D C Whitehead (Secretary, Planning Committee)