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The Planning Manager (Southern Area), 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. P14/S3766/FUL (amended) – 345 Reading Road. Erection of 55 residential units etc.** As stated previously, we have no objection in principle but **if** permission is granted in advance of the adoption of the Neighbourhood Plan, there should be a firm guarantee that the 55 units count towards the 450 new dwellings allocated to Henley in the Core Strategy.
- 2. P15/S0141/A (amended) – National Westminster Bank, 18 Market Place. Proposed new signage.** An illustration in the amended submission shows the hanging sign to be illuminated – possibly a mistake. As stated previously, we recommend that the hanging sign should be positioned below the level of the first floor windows.
- 3. P15/S0439/HH – Daphne Cottage, Radnor Close. Erection of glazed balustrade.** No comment.
- 4. P15/S0484/PDO – Isis House, 43 Station Road. Change of use to seven flats.** No objection in principle but the lack of parking space could cause problems.
- 5. P15/S0551/HH – 10 Manor Road. First floor rear extension.** No comment.
- 6. P15/S0587/HH – 4 Radnor Close. Single storey side extension, rear extension and alterations.** This proposal is inappropriate: it is unneighbourly, it would result in a further loss of the small garden space and could be regarded as a precedent.
- 7. P15/S0682/FUL – 2 Deanfield Avenue. Proposed extension and sub-division of existing dwelling to provide two 2-bedroom flats and three 1-bedroom flats.** No comment.
- 8. P15/S683/A - Regatta Service Station, Reading Road. Erection of new signage consisting of 4 illuminated Wave signs, 4 non-illuminated Koala signs and 8 non-illuminated pump number signs.** The illumination on the Wave signs appears intended to be intermittent and we are concerned that this may cause more disturbance to neighbours than the lighting that exists at present.

9. **P15/S0644/HH – 41B St Andrews Road. Two storey front/rear and single side extension with internal alterations.** In our view, the unattractive flat-roofed side extension is inappropriate - it is unneighbourly and would eliminate the space between the house and the adjoining property.
10. **P15/S0795/HH – The Turret, Meadow Road. Demolition of conservatory and ground floor level of turret and construction of single storey extension etc.** This is a building designated as 'of local note' and is in a prominent position by the popular towpath along the river. The proposed extension is completely out of character with the remainder of the house and with the semi-detached neighbouring property. It would also detract from the ambience of the nationally important Thames Path.
11. **P15/S0824/HH – 6 Lambridge Wood Road. Proposed demolition in part and construction of new extension .....** No comment.
12. **P15/S0832/HH and S0833/LB– Adam House, 71 Bell Street. Alterations to approved P13/S3872/HH etc.** No comment.
13. **P15/S0847/HH – 186 Reading Road. Single storey side extension and loft conversion.** No comment.

Yours faithfully

D C Whitehead (Secretary, Planning Committee)