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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.

- 1A. P13/S3518/FUL - Barclays Bank plc, 10 Hart Street. Change of use to restaurant.** We understand that this application has been withdrawn.
- 1. P1/S3684/HH – 21 Ancastle Green. Demolition of garage and conservatory; erection of two-storey side extension.** This proposal would have undesirable consequences: the 2-storey extension would tend to create the effect of a terrace rather than detached properties in this location, and the loss of the garage would tend to aggravate the demand for roadside parking in an area where all spaces are often full.
 - 2. P13/S3692/HH – 9 Leicester Close. Single storey rear and side extension.** This proposal is overintensive and would be out of character with other properties in the Close. It should be refused for the reasons clearly expressed by the neighbour at 10 Leicester Close.
 - 3. P13/S3697/LB – 47 Market Place. Proposed reinstatement of first floor in retail area.** We are concerned about the weight of the new flooring on the remaining old timbers: the Conservation Officer should be consulted.
 - 4. P13/S3760/FUL – Rear of Cedar Court, 9-11 Fairmile. Erection of two dwellings.** This application should be refused. Two 2-storey dwellings in this location would definitely be overintensive. The building would have an unacceptable impact on the lower flats of Caxton Court through their impact on light and through causing an unduly cramped environment. The cramped environment would also affect the rear outlook of a number of other properties. The space is currently used for car parking and should continue to be available for this purpose or should be added to the tiny garden space available to residents of the flats.
 - 5. P13/S3777/HH – 14 St Marks Road. Single storey rear extension and loft conversion.** This property is in a conservation area and we are concerned about the insertion of as many as three Velux roof lights to the front of the house.
 - 6. P13/S3851/HH – 17 Milton Close. Single storey extension to the rear.** A smaller extension than that proposed would be preferable in order to minimise the impact on neighbours and on the consistency of style for the houses in Milton Close.

7. **P13/S3872/HH and 3874/LB – Adam House, 71 Bell Street. Internal and external alterations.** The potential for overlooking, from the combined effects of the change of use to residential together with the changes to fenestration, needs to be assessed.

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

P13/S3026/HH (amended) – Burbank House, Peppard Lane. Conversion of bungalow to 2-storey house.
Subject to the views of neighbours.

P13/S3297/A and 3298/LB – 35 Duke Street. Erection of non-illuminated wall-mounted sign.

P13/S3578/HH – 9 Vicarage Road. Replace front-facing sash windows, and door, with new.

P13/WS3586 – 42 Berkshire Road. Demolition of conservatory and rear extension; construction of replacement extension. *Subject to the views of neighbours*

P13/S3733/HH – 23 Queen Street. Alterations to conservatory.

P13/S3759/HH – The Old Stabling, 15a Fairmile. Refurbishment and extension. *Subject to the views of neighbours*

P13/S3785/HH – 98 Mount View. Single storey rear extension.

Yours faithfully

D C Whitehead (Secretary, Planning Committee)