

Haste End
8 Hill Road
Haslemere

Monday 8th July 2019

**Re: New Planning Application - "The Heights" Hill Road, Haslemere.
Urgent.**

Dear fellow members of the Haslemere South Residents Association,

You may already know that an Appeal is pending, but not yet available to view, regarding the refusal of a Planning Application at "The Heights" - WA/2018/1771 refers.

The developer has submitted a new Application, WA/2019/1026. His proposal again involves the demolition of the original Herbert Hutchinson "Heights" building. The loss of the building was one of the reasons given for the refusal of the first Application. The new Application reduces the number of proposed dwellings from twenty five to twenty. This would be made up of 6 semi detached three bedroom houses and 10 two bedroom flats for sale, and 4 one bedroom flats for social housing. We are told that a further Application for an additional 4 houses, to front Hill Road, is pending. This would raise the number of dwellings to 24.

In essence, if all of this is approved, we are in almost the same position as with the first, refused Planning Application. The number of houses would be reduced by just one.

The new Application again shows that the existing one way, semi circular, in/out drive, with its mature shrubbery frontage, would be replaced by a single, wide, two way access road which would meet Hill Road sharply and steeply directly opposite number 8. We all know the dangers of our steep hill, particularly in icy conditions. By maintaining the existing driveway and shrubbery not only would risks to the houses opposite be reduced, but the row of 4 houses facing directly on to Hill Road, mentioned above, could not be built, thus helping to maintain the character of our lovely hillside.

Comments regarding this new Application WA/2019/1026 need to be in by August 2nd. This gives us 3 weeks during the busy holiday period. It would be a great shame if development was accepted without comment because of the unfortunate timing.

Comments can be submitted either by post to:-

Chris Turner, Senior Planning Officer,
Waverley Borough Council,
The Burys,
Godalming,
GU7 1HR or by email by entering:-

waverley.gov.uk

then 'Planning and Building Control', 'View and Comment on Planning Applications', 'Planning Applications on line' and enter WA/2019/1026

Every comment counts, however small. Please help.

If you are fortunate enough to own a Herbert Hutchinson house please could you let me know at pandphampson@btinternet.com. We are compiling a list of these wonderful quirky houses on our hill and need to be accurate.

Many thanks,

Peter.