

Petersfield Society Comments on Planning Applications to be considered by Petersfield Town Council Planning Committee at its meeting on Tuesday 01 November 2022.

SDNP/22/03681 141 Sussex Road
No Objection

SDNP/22/03983 19 Madeline Road
Permission Granted 16 October 2022

SDNP/22/04167 6 Princes Road
No Objection

SDNP/22/04331 8 the Square
No Objection

SDNP/22/04390 Cedars, Reservoir Lane

This is a well-designed first floor extension, and should fit in even though it is in an area of mainly single storey dwellings. No Objection provided the Planning Officer is satisfied that the first floor windows would not unduly affect neighbouring properties.

SDNP/22/04472 Land off Harrier Way.
Objection.

The principle of development on this site, allocated in the Local Plan, is accepted. However the proposal is unacceptable for these reasons.

1 The proposals bear no resemblance to the Design Brief set out in the Neighbourhood Plan which showed blocks of development between large Open Spaces. Why are the PNP design principles for the site not being followed?

2 A scheme for 100 plus dwellings is an overdevelopment resulting in extensive areas of car parking, access roads and culs de sac.

3 This important edge of town site requires a landscape scheme which includes extensive planting areas several large trees at maturity. The site coverage of buildings roads and car parking will prevent the implementation of a good landscaping scheme. The SDNP Adopted Design Guide gives good landscaping examples at section C9 and C9.2.

4 Direct access to Harrier Way, as shown in several places, is unacceptable both on grounds of visual amenity and road safety. It appears that vehicles could be reversing into or from Harrier Way That road serves the Taro Centre and is busy throughout the day. The redevelopment or re-use of Penns Place will increase traffic on that road. Furthermore the levels of development at the site proposed at the site could lead to traffic parking on Harrier Way.

5 We consider that the scheme should be re-designed at a lower density giving priority to a well designed and comprehensive a landscape scheme

SDNP/22/04504 Former Tews Engineering site Lavant Street

The applicant is advised to revisit the scheme in particular to re-assess the volume of building along Lavant Street. The frontage towards the Station Approach and Lavant Street would appear to be completely out of scale creating an overly urban impact dwarfing other adjacent buildings. Petersfield station is a very important gateway into the national Park and development should preferably enhance the experience of visitors that are arriving into a market town within the park by meeting buildings of a scale natural to Petersfield and with a view of the South Downs beyond. The PNP had designated the Tews site as an employment site and it is appreciated that some office space has been provided within the scheme but it is clear that current market forces and short term perspectives of the need for offices, small business units and shops is prevalent. The question is how the market town of Petersfield is going to attract small businesses in the future assuming that it is desirable.

NOTE: One of our Trustees has an interest in this application and has therefore played no part in making these comments.

SDNP/21/05460 9 Hobbs Square

In principle, No Objection, but the comments of the neighbour are concerning. The neighbour states that the extension will be much higher than the boundary fence, causing overshadowing. If this is the case we would ask the Planning Officer to ask for the proposal to be re-designed.

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