



Planning Applications  
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London SW18 1DA

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London SW15 1RS

f.a.o. Daniel Piercy and Ben Hayter

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Dear Daniel & Ben

**Planning Application 2021/3957 and 2021/3088  
Reservoir Cottage, 1 Wildcroft Road SW15**

The Putney Society wishes to comment on these related applications.

Putney's character depends in large part on its open spaces. Any proposal for building on Metropolitan Open Land must be viewed with concern. However on balance the Society feel that the proposed new house will be an improvement on the current hardstanding, huts and caravans. For that reason application 2021/3088 to retain these should be refused as incompatible with a location that is both MOL and in a conservation area.

In respect of the new house, whilst it may be an appropriate response to the setting we are concerned about the energy efficiency of the extensive mirror glazing on the house. New construction today needs to be zero energy in line with the climate emergency recognised by the Council. If this house is to be allowed the Council should ensure that the public benefits come true. Mirror glazing will only 'hide' the house if there are trees to reflect. The site plan seems to show the removal of almost all trees and tree groups along the Wildcroft Road boundary. The new house should only be allowed if most of these are kept, and with a condition requiring the renovation of the cottage before occupation of the new dwelling.

Yours Sincerely

*Andrew Catto*

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For and on behalf of the Putney Society.

**The Putney Society**

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