



Planning Applications
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Dear Lucia

**Planning Application 2022/0207
33 Charlwood Road SW15**

The Putney Society OBJECTS to the application for a extending the crossover at 33 Charlwood Road, and thus removing the rest of the fence, for the following reasons:

Policy DMS 2 iii. requires *'the conservation and, where appropriate, the enhancement of the space in between and around buildings as well as front, side and rear gardens'*

Policy DMS 6 a. v. requires *'retention of soft landscaping and permeable surfaces in front gardens and other means of reducing, or at least not increasing, the amount of hard standing associated with existing homes is encouraged. New driveways or parking areas .. located in front gardens should be made of permeable material'.*

This house and others on Charlwood Road already have crossovers and partial paving of the front garden, but at least this left half the frontage fenced and planted. The applicant's Heritage Statement acknowledges this:

3.3. Charlwood Road maintains a high degree of vegetation which adds to its idyllic feel and unique character and identity.

3.7 The Conservation Area also benefits from the frontage of the dwelling, including the set back of its building line, the driveway approach and existing landscaping,

3.8 In terms of how the curtilage contributes to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area .., it plays an important role as part of a collective appearance.

The photo of the frontage in the covering letter conceals that this is in part a retrospective application. See the attached image from Google for how it used to be until recently. Most of the planting which makes Charlwood Road special has already been removed. The garden has already been paved. We have doubts as to whether this is permeable. Planning policy seeks limit parking spaces. It would be inconsistent to allow extra here, worse still to allow destruction of the very character that makes this street worthy of conservation status simply for the convenience of occupants.

Yours Sincerely

Andrew Catto

Andrew Catto,
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The Putney Society

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33 Charlwood Road as it was in 2019.

Note that all the planting except the tree on the left boundary has been removed since then, including at least one tree (right) for which there does not appear to be consent.