



Planning Applications
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Dear Julia

**Planning Application 2022/2916
New Pier at Putney Embankment**

Thank you for confirming that the two current applications piers at Putney Embankment will each be dealt with separately. The Putney Society has already commented on the proposal for the existing Putney Pier. This comment stands although we take note of the subsequent concerns of the many who have written about the risks either new pier poses to rowing.

The rowing clubs and river access from the Embankment are of national, not just local importance as recognised by policy LP59.A.6 of the emerging Local Plan and may prove of more importance than an improved river bus service, policy LP60.A, although we would dearly like to see that too and for that reason support this proposal provided it brings an enhanced service through the day and at weekends (boat race days excepted).

But we feel that the option to place this new pier at St Georges Wharf has been dismissed too lightly. It would be closer to the bus stops at the bottom of Putney High Street (which cover the majority of local routes), just as visible from the bridge and is in an area whose bars and restaurants make it busier and safer in the evenings than around the Embankment. Some of those bar users are probably also potential river bus commuters.

Its narrow width means that nobody uses the slipway here, particularly with the ramp by Watermans Green about to reopen.

Yours Sincerely



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For and on behalf of the Putney Society.

The Putney Society

The amenity society for Putney and Roehampton. Registered Charity No. 263242

