

**Minutes of HRA Committee Meeting
Tuesday 12 December 2023 Highfield Church Hall 19:00h**

Present Committee: Prof Roger Brown (Chair), Martin Benning, Stephen Connolly, Jerry Gillen, Nadine Johnson, Ken Burtenshaw, Christine Rawnsley, Barbara Claridge

Attendees: Cllr Barbour, Cllr Finn, Malcolm White, Jon Walsh

Apologies: Karen Edwards, Cllr Savage, Cllr Bunday, Cllr Fielker, Pete Errington, Dave White

1. Welcome:

Roger welcomed everyone to the meeting. He had recently attended the AGM of Yellow Door which had been very positive and well attended by community representatives and local businesses. He had subsequently considered whether HRA might develop a closer relationship with such organisations and have more regular contact with local businesses. He asked the committee to consider this and report back at the next meeting. He confirmed that the Portswood Broadway Phase 2 Process would be the subject of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee of Thursday 14 December. He would attend to represent HRA and would speak in terms of the HRA Committee Response previously submitted. He invited any other Committee members to attend as it would be a public meeting.

2. Declaration of interest: none

3. Approval of minutes from the Committee Meeting 10 October 2023:

Nadine Johnson put forward an amendment to the minutes to replace, 'Nadine reported that squatters had been observed in the empty Gorillas' Building', with: 'Nadine asked if there were still squatters in the empty Gorillas' Building. PCSO Hayley Morrison responded that this area no longer came under Southampton North but Central, but she would try and find out'. This amendment was agreed and the Minutes were approved.

4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere:

Roger thanked Ken, Nadine and Barbara for their contribution on production of on the latest Newsletter

5. University Liaison:

Jon Walsh responded to Agenda item 10.g. and explained the proposed University development, known as the NE Quadrant. This was a key development site for the expanding university on the edge of Burgess Road. The project had been identified for five years and involved developing a site which was already university owned. It would involve some demolition of buildings that were not feasible to renovate (an ex-co-op store and a small row of terraced houses). Most of the site was currently a car park. The new building would include a café and a student hub on the ground floor. Occupation of the building was still under discussion between university departments. Ken asked if the building would include green construction, like solar panels on the roof. Jon replied that there would be a high level of insulation and that a full landscaping design had been included which would add to environmental enhancement.

Roger thanked Jon for attending in person to explain this and proposed that HRA should support the Planning Applications (Action: BC).

Roger then asked about the progress towards setting up a Residents' Forum. Jon confirmed there had been little progress in Southampton but more in Winchester. Roger reminded Jon of the role for NSCF in such a forum. Jon also asked if the university spring Science Tech Fair could be advertised on HRA Social media. This was agreed (Action: Nadine). He also gave advance notice of the university involvement in a David Attenborough documentary,

Attenborough and the Giant Sea Monster, to be broadcast on New Year's Day. A university professor and department had been involved in the scanning of a giant fossil found in the cliffs at Kimmeridge Bay. Barbara asked if the new sports facility was on track for completion in the summer 2024. Jon confirmed this. Christine asked if Jon had found the supply of recycling bags (Ref: end of term student waste project, July 2023). Jon confirmed that these had been promised to Hilary Jackson (OARA) and that they had an old logo. Stephen Connolly thanked Jon for dealing with (more) graffiti on the fence of Highfield Hall. Christine asked if anything would be done about missing letters from the Nuffield Theatre sign and indicated that it would be important for the university to conduct positive liaison with whoever might be responsible. Christine recollected a successful project with residents of the Flowers Estate when this problem had first surfaced some years back (Action Jon Walsh to enquire about the missing letters).

7. AGM Evaluation:

A brief discussion took place. It was agreed that the AGM had been very successful. The use of a professional sound system and the addition of a roving microphone at question time had been a great improvement (thank you Paul and Christine). Councillor Kaur's address had been a highlight, as she described a very positive future for Southampton. Interesting and diverse questions had followed from the membership. Barbara had followed up with an email to Councillor Kaur regarding two items raised: the poor state of pavements, especially in Upper Shaftesbury Avenue and the replacement of play equipment at Portswood Rec. Cllr Kaur had responded positively and passed these requests on to relevant officers or potential sources of funding. Martin asked if it would be appropriate for HRA to contribute to the fundraising for play equipment. This idea was noted.

8. Information from Councillors:

Councillors Finn and Barbour reported on the on-going problem of foul smells from the Portswood Sewage Treatment Works (Southern Water). Councillor Savage had sent a report to HRA about this issue as he had been personally involved in meetings with Southern Water (See Annex i.). Christine Rawnsley and Councillor Barbour had been looking into gathering data about the smell, e.g. where and when it was noticed, via a neighbourhood volunteer circle in order to make a Citizens Petition to Southern Water. Christine noted that she would send the HRA Hon Sec information so that there could be a Committee complaint written to Southern Water (action Christine Rawnsley and Barbara Claridge). Christine asked if the problem of bad smell had ever been raised by the University. Jon replied that, to his knowledge, this had not been raised. Councillor Barbour asked if the council should be monitoring the issue. Southern Water had a process for reporting issues (by email and phone) but this did not include anything about smells.

Councillor Finn reported on two other issues: a Council Consultation on the future Mental Health Strategy and how important this was. Nadine commented that Council Consultations were promoted on the HRA website. Secondly, the advance booking system was returning to Waste Disposal sites in the new year as the Government had recently directed that individuals disposing of DIY or garden waste could no longer be charged. The return to a booking system would ensure that traders disposing of such items would still be charged.

Councillor Barbour reported that the Scrutiny Panel would be looking into private rental sector in Southampton. There was a high percentage of private rental in the city. She also reported on the poor state of the lane and alleyway by the Mencap Building (behind Portswood shops, west side). However as this was an unadopted lane, property owners were responsible for its upkeep. Councillor Barbour thanked HRA Officers and committee members for attending the Love Where You Live event in September. She said that the council had noted that the playpark

outside of Sainsbury's had been boarded up and closed for some time. Nadine commented that it had been a condition of Planning Permission that the playpark was constructed.

Roger commented that there was a rumour that the UNILink bus U1A would not have a bus stop at Central Station south side once reconstruction of the station forecourt was finished. Jon Walsh indicated that he could find out through the university (Action: Jon Walsh).

8. HRA Crime WhatsApp group for Highfield (NJ)

There had been 13 incidents reported in the WhatsApp Group between 10 October and 12 December. This was an increase of 8 on the previous report of 10 October, although the period of time covered was two months instead of one. Details are in Annex ii and on the HRA Website <https://www.highfieldresidents.org.uk/crime-incidents/>

PACT (Police and Community Together) Meeting, 28 September 2023

The Minutes for the above had been circulated to the WhatsApp Group. There was an action point for HRA: 'HRA to discuss doing a neighbourly door knock to warn students about keeping their space/property safe' etc. Nadine reported that this would not be a function of the WhatsApp Group. Jon Walsh added that such a warning had been the responsibility of the university in the past. If any individual had concerns, they could obtain information from the university on how to look after security / property. Really this was an issue for individuals. Roger Brown agreed that this would be the most effective approach, Jon Walsh added that such information could be added to Local2U.

Additional CCTV cameras

Two additional cameras were to be installed on Portswood High Street to combat ASB, theft, street robbery and VAWG offences. This had appeared in an article on 9 November 2023 in the Daily Echo: that £1m of funding had been allocated from the Government's Safer Street Fund (Home Office) after a successful bid by Donna Jones, the Police and Crime Commissioner. The article stated that this included 2 extra CCTVs for Portswood High Street. Can anyone confirm this and when the two extra CCTVs might be installed? (Action: Cllr Finn agreed to look into this)

PCSO Hayley Morrison

Unfortunately, Hayley was not able to attend today's Committee Meeting and would be unable to attend the ones in January and February as she would not be on duty then. However, she had kindly indicated that she would try and change her shifts to coincide with our Committee Meeting dates moving forwards.

Nadine Johnson Digital Comms

9. Planning (see Annex iii for full details)

- a. Glen Eyre Quietway (info from Lee McKenzie, Bassett)
- b. Lodge Road Consultation (info from SS, Outer Ave/Bevois Valley)
- c. 72 Portswood Road Sale of Alcohol Licence
- d. 23/01113/FUL - 3 Shaftesbury Avenue Southampton SO17 1SB
- e. 23/01360/FUL - 14 Uplands Way Southampton SO17 1QW (referred to Pete Errington, Uplands)
- f. 23/01380/NMA - 15 Khartoum Road Southampton SO17 1NY
- g. Highfield Campus – (University asked to comment)
- h. 40 Oakmount Ave – referred to Jon Willetts 24:08:23
- i. 23/01552/NMA - 46 Blenheim Avenue Southampton SO17 1DU (referred to Malcolm White OTRA)
- j. 23/00617/FUL - 112 Upper Shaftesbury Ave SO17 3RT – possible breach of Planning Approval
- k. Lovers walk Section 38 Commons Act 2006 Application (papers available on request). RB Clarified that any planning application on Common Land had to be referred to the Secretary of State. Land had to be 'given back' to compensate for any common land used in such a Planning Application. Stephen Connolly asked if there was any provision for installing lights on Lovers Walk. BC replied to say the Planning Application and design had first been the subject of a Public Consultation in 2019. Although HRA had supported the installation of lighting for

safety purposes, she thought this had not been included by SCC and the inclusion of lighting was debatable. A copy of the HRA Consultation Response on Lovers Walk is available on request.

- I. 23/01581/FUL 5 Crofton Close Southampton SO17 1XB. Erection of single storey rear extension following removal of existing conservatory, partial conversion of garage to living accommodation including replacement of garage door with window, erection of outbuilding.

10. Reports

a. Finance

Income £976: Outgoings £583: Current Account Balance £13,382. Reserve Account = £10,107. Martin reported that he had been contacted by the bank and advised that HRA was holding too much money in its Current Account. RB, MB and BC will look into the best options. Barbara reminded the committee that it was a long-term aim to hold the Reserve Account at £20,000 for a fighting fund and in addition, the Reserve Account earned monthly interest. (Action: MB)

b. Membership

Barbara reported that the membership process was continuing in Nicolla's absence as she and Nadine were working together to process both renewing and new members.

c. Digital Communications

Facebook/Website

HRA now had 1040 followers on the HRA Facebook page, an increase of 18 since HRA Committee Meeting of 10 October 2023.

Nadine thanked Pete Errington, Barbara and several other HRA Members for their recent photos, and to Barbara for some news posts.

She reported that the new logo rollout was ongoing. This now included all new and renewing member online and downloadable forms and no reply emails, plus all images which 'fronted' all HRA policy documents on the 'Our Documents' page of the website.

Advertising on HRA Website

Pearsons Estate Agents confirmed that they would continue to advertise on the HRA website for the period 15 October 2023 to 14 October 2024, for an annual fee of £250.

Discounts and local business update

The Elizabeth House Hotel would no longer offer HRA a discount. They were too busy with cruise traffic! Mirra Bakehouse, formerly in the precinct on Highfield Lane, had moved back to Bitterne and Headliners (the hairdressers) had closed. Label Food, a Chinese restaurant which remained in the precinct, indicated that they had plans to expand into the two vacated shop units left by the above. (Nadine Johnson Digital Comms)

11. A.O.B.

There was no A.O.B.

The meeting closed at 20:10

The next HRA Committee meeting would be held on Tuesday 9 January 19:00h

Annex i.

8. Councillor Savage's Report of the Portswood Sewage Treatment Works (Southern Water)

I've been working with them on odour improvement.

1. They have installed an Enviro-suite system that monitors bad odour (mainly H2S levels).
2. The centrifuge system has broken down since the summer and a temporary centrifuge was installed. The permanent replacement was due to have been up and running a few weeks ago. It was delayed because a similar centrifuge had to be installed at Chickenhall treatment works (nr Eastleigh) cos of contractor failure, so St Denys installation won't begin till next week.
3. The smell is also a consequence of a build-up of sludge in the system which needs to be cleared out. We are awaiting a serious improvement.
4. The Friends of Itchen Estuary, <https://m.facebook.com/groups/1619554158560135/permalink/1652549405260610/> amongst other things, is organising a WhatsApp group for reporting nuisance odours and is interested in getting members from all points of the compass in a reasonable distance from the treatment works, that way they can compile records of reported smell with approx. wind direction.
5. During the summer I organised an email reporting service for bad odours. Many of those who name these formal complaints received an offer of £20 compensation in recognition of the bad smell. The email address has since been closed down; however, bad odour can still be reported on their website.
6. For months now I have been asking for the raw data on their enviro-suite system. I did thus mainly because folks get complaining fatigue. This data allows us to see real-time recording of bad smells. SW this week agreed to supply me with this data. I am waiting for it to arrive.
7. SW have a brand-new stakeholder engagement manager who started about a month ago. Her name is Dr Nicky Swan. To date I have been developing a good relationship with her boss Steve Court and have met them together twice.
It's a lot of tedious work but I have also had meetings with the senior ops team along with Satvir Kaur and we are holding them to account for the assurances they have given.
8. SW have promised to set up a meeting with the community, develop a newsletter for residents and potentially site visits to the St Denys treatment works.

(Sorry I forgot to mention, as it doesn't relate to odour):

1. SW Have agreed to support the application for designated bathing water status in the Itchen.
2. It has been reported quite widely that Satvir had a conversation with DEFRA who grant bathing water status. She was told that the application for bathing water status would be more likely to be successful if it came from the council rather than a community organisation like FoIE. Hence the announcement in the Echo this week. Bathing water status is a potential route to increased investment from SW and cleaner waters.

Regards

John (Cllr John Savage)

Annex ii

9. HRA Crime Information Sharing WhatsApp Group for Highfield details:

There were 13 incidents reported in the WhatsApp Group between 10 October and 12 December. This was an increase of 8 in comparison to the previous report of 10 October, although the period of time covered was two months instead of one.

1. Reported incidents by representatives in the WhatsApp Group (total 10 incidents):

- Two car break-ins: Brookvale Road and Highfield Close; man spotted trying to break into cars in Crofton Close
- House burglary: Crofton Close (took place between 4pm and 6pm)
- Abandoned burnt out camper van, Westwood Road (possible arson or insurance scam). As this was on the Public Highway, it was reported to the Council who removed it once the police investigations were completed
- A local Highfield man, known to at least one representative, was reported missing by police
- An Amazon parcel taken: Brookvale Road
- Two large bags were fly tipped in Brookvale Road. This was reported to the Council who removed them, as they were on public land
- A man was found sleeping in a small silver BMW overnight, in the drive leading to the PRG tennis courts (last reported for 2 nights)
- A lost dog in Brookvale Road was reunited with his owners in Crofton Close (fringe activity!).

2. Reported by outside agencies (total 3 incidents):

- An arrest was made in an ongoing investigation into a string of incidents in Portswood, including aggravated burglary, threatening a woman with a pair of scissors, and acting suspiciously (Inspector Brian Goodall)
- A man was arrested for possession of a screwdriver and Class A drugs with intent to supply in Portswood (Southampton Cops)
- An alleged rape during the early hours was reported in Southampton Old Cemetery (Southampton Echo)

All incidents are logged here: <https://www.highfieldresidents.org.uk/crime-incidents/>

Annex iii

10. Planning – more detailed information

Southampton City Council Public Consultations

a. **Glen Ayre Quietway (Lee McKenzie, Bassett) Since 12 November 50+ emails on this topic**

The map used for the public consultation shows no buildouts along the road. In reality there are 14 and each is nearly half the width of the road - i.e. they have constructed a different scheme from the one advertised and consulted upon, a dangerous precedent to ignore?

Only residents of Glen Eyre Road itself received letters. No wonder there were only 9 responses to the "consultation"

No public notice referring to the scheme was posted on lampposts anywhere

The Ambulance and Fire Services, local cycling groups and nearby residents (who use the road to access their homes) were not approached for their comments

The buildouts contravene DfT regulations because they have no cycle by-passes. SCC say it's ok because there are cars parked next to them but there is nothing in the regulations to allow this

Far from improving the experience for cyclists it will actually make things much worse for them. They will often be forced onto to the wrong side of the road and have to give way when there is oncoming traffic

The buildouts are dangerous because they have only two wooden poles sticking out of the top of them and some of them have been buried in leaves during the autumn

There's much more but I'll leave it at that for now. Thanks for thinking of us:

Lee's first reply from SCC:

"There were no changes to the Glen Eyre Quietway design after sharing it with the public. The plan you refer to relates to Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) proposals which cover changes needed to the waiting and parking restrictions. Buildouts are not introduced under a Traffic Regulation Order and, as such, are not included within the plan.

There were two stages of consultation carried out prior to this TRO:

- Perception survey (Oct 2021) - to better understand the issues of the area.
- Consultation on proposals concept (June 2022) – to feedback on traffic calming measures including buildout at existing on-street parking bays, not the exact location of each buildout.

The full scheme design, with the exact location of all the buildouts, underwent a road safety audit prior to delivery and will be subject to a post-delivery road safety audit. No issues were raised in the pre-delivery road safety audit.

The scheme will be completed over the next two days, weather permitting."

Lee's reply to Councillors and others:

Dear Councillors

The buildouts on the section of the Glen Eyre Quietway between Glen Eyre Drive and The Avenue do not conform to DoT standards and should therefore be removed as a matter of urgency. Specifically, they present a significant and immediate danger to road users, especially cyclists.

Government advice recommends a by-pass, normally adjacent to the kerb, for cyclists to use when reaching buildouts. Failure to provide one has the potential to force cyclists into the path of following or oncoming traffic, or to crash into the build-out itself as they attempt to avoid a collision with vehicles arriving at the build-out at the same time as they do.

See here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/cycle-infrastructure-design-ltn-120>

and here: <https://www.cyclinguk.org/briefing/traffic-calming>

However, no cycle by-pass is possible at the buildouts along Glen Eyre Road because there is provision for parked cars inside them.

I would also like SCC to explain why there was no public consultation for the Glen Eyre Quietway project with the accepted "good practice" 12-week period for feedback, since it will have a major effect on local residents.

In place of the consultation, SCC offered us a mere two weeks to respond to a map and outline of the scheme which was circulated online but not sent directly to the residents of Glenwood Avenue and the roads joined to it, all of which are hugely impacted by the scheme.

Unfortunately, the map:

<https://transport.southampton.gov.uk/tcf/chandlers-ford-to-southampton-corridor/glen-eyre-quietway/>

fails to mention the four buildouts either side of Glenwood Avenue. It is not possible to respond to something if you haven't been told about it!

In the circumstances, I suggest that all six buildouts should be removed first thing on Monday morning. To leave them in place and wait for an accident to occur would almost certainly lead to legal action against SCC for allowing the project to be developed in manner that is not upheld by government requirements.

Best wishes
Lee McKenzie

One reply from Wade Holmes 15/11/23:

Dear Lee McKenzie:

Thank you for your email in regard to the scheme on Glen Eyre Road. Cllr Keogh has asked me to respond to you directly.

The scheme is part of a Southampton Cycleway Network, details of which you can find on our website here <https://transport.southampton.gov.uk/connected-southampton-2040/southampton-cycle-network/>

The aim of the project is to reinforce the recently introduced 20mph restriction for the road, provide protected on-street car parking bays, and to manage vehicle conflict at sections of road with on street parking. The use of build

outs will slow vehicles travelling along the road, and assist allowing cyclists to ride in primary position and “take the lane” and not be close passed as they travel along this cycle corridor

- <https://www.britishcycling.org.uk/cycletraining/article/ct20110110-cycletraining-Bitesize-Bikeability--Part-4--On-Road-Positioning-0#:~:text=Riding%20in%20the%20primary%20position,prevented%20from%20attempting%20to%20overtake.> .

As you have mentioned, there is no cycle channel to bypass the kerb buildouts at the on street car parking bays. The introduction of cycle channels would have resulted in cyclists riding around the build out and into the rear of a vehicle parked on the street with no way to bypass / escape the parked vehicle. A cycle channel bypass would also mean cyclists giving up the primary position for riding (see advice above).

The width of carriageway at those buildouts is designed to avoid the widths that encourage conflict between cyclists and drivers from close passes as per LTN1/20 cycle route design guidance.

The scheme design has been subject to an independent Road Safety Audit which has not raised any issues with the arrangement along the road.

Consultation has been carried out on the Glen Eyre Scheme in June / July 2022 – you point out that there is detail on the Council’s website about the consultation, which has a pop out box indicating that the scheme would have kerb buildout at existing on street parking, and this was included in the survey text as well. This follows on from previous surveys in 2021 which asked people what their perceptions are of the area that indicated residents had issues with speed of traffic. As part of its legal requirements the Council carried out a Traffic Regulation Order consultation in February 2023 which included information on our website, Hampshire Independent Newspaper and on street notices for the changes to the parking restrictions along the corridor.

With all the above, I consider that the Council has followed relevant guidance on installing a scheme that assist with the 20mph speed reduction and provide a route for cyclists to ride in a primary position along the corridor. As part of any scheme, the Council will undertake post scheme monitoring including a post scheme independent Road Safety Audit. Should there be the need to make any changes, the Council will action any recommendations of the post scheme monitoring report.

Thanks - Wade

b. Lodge Road Junction Improvements Consultation

(copies of correspondence from SS (not a member) to HonSec re Consultation process)

Dear Council staff and Councillors

*On 22 November I received a single page letter ,dated 17 November, on paper headed Highways Service Partnership, SCC and Balfour Beatty. **Dear Occupier Have your Say Lodge Rd Junction Improvement survey.** have tried to send you an email but have been refused access i.e.*

Sorry your email could not be delivered due to content policy reasons. Please check your message content for URLs, content and subject matter that could be construed as Malware, Spam or Phishing before retrying. (6-1-3-1) ID (6567CD71015C3298) [Err code: 553]

*I have attached my email as a word document and would be grateful if you could look at it please
Thank you. SS*

Dear Council staff and Councillors

On 22 November I received a single page letter, dated 17 November, on paper headed Highways Service Partnership, SCC and Balfour Beatty .

Dear Occupier Have your Say Lodge Rd Junction Improvement survey

There were 8 paragraphs of writing , some of it jargon, no copy of the survey, no plans and no phone numbers. All the contact methods for the survey, further information and other enquiries required internet I rang the council main switchboard and asked to be connected to someone who would please mail me the survey and information .No one knew who to connect me to; however I was assured I would be sent paperwork so I and my neighbours who don't have good electronic communication could see what was planned and give our views Nothing arrived so about a week later I rang again and asked to speak to the Balfour Beatty team. I was called back by someone who said he would pass on my request as he had nothing to do with the survey. This week 4 December I still hadn't received anything so went to Portswood Library. They had no knowledge of the consultation so I went onto the computer there There was a road layout plan and a series of questions which were very basic. without more information it was impossible to say how the scheme would impact pedestrians, vehicles, buses and cyclists. I clicked on the link for more information but it said there was an error and I couldn't see it .I have now seen it on another computer and it is still no help.

The map above illustrates all the proposed improvements to this junction which include:

- **A green man crossing with countdown timers so pedestrians know how long they have to cross.**
- **New drop kerbs, audible crossing sounds and new surfaces which will benefit people with mobility and vision issues.**
- **A new cycle green light to cross the junction safely segregated from vehicles, reducing the crash potential between pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles.**
- **New traffic signal which prioritises buses at the junction.**
- **Upgraded traffic signal technology - the traffic signals will be more efficient and responsive to the levels of traffic at different times of the day.**
- **New bus stop bypass will be provided at the Forster Road bus stop to allow people who choose to cycle a safe way to move around buses at the stop.**

We are inviting all local residents to comment on the scheme. Please *click here* to share your views. The survey will be open until 11 December.

I still couldn't print out the road plan or survey questions. There was no space for longer comments in the survey , the link was to email roadworks@southampton.gov.uk (email from SS)

c. 72 Portswood Road Sale of Alcohol Licence

Approved but with condition for a 8am start not 7am. BC attended on-line session. The panel was chaired very fairly by Councillor Bunday. Cllrs Savage and Barbour asked searching, thorough and fair questions during the hearing.

d. 23/01113/FUL - 3 Shaftesbury Avenue Southampton SO17 1SB

Conversion of building into of 3 x 1-bedroom flats and 1 x studio flat | 3 Shaftesbury Avenue Southampton SO17 1SB. Next to Cenos

Plans only no explanation. An improvement? Expired – no public comments

e. 23/01360/FUL - 14 Uplands Way Southampton SO17 1QW (referred to Pete Errington, Uplands)

Partial conversion of garage into habitable accommodation, alterations to fenestration on rear elevation, insertion of 3 no. flush fitting conservation rooflights to rear of main roof to facilitate a loft conversion and changing small lean-to roof at rear to flat roof at height to match adjacent.

Expired. No public comments. Approved.

f. 23/01380/NMA - 15 Khartoum Road Southampton SO17 1NY

23/01380/NMA | Non-material amendment sought to planning permission ref 20/01450/FUL to remove proposed dormer and alterations to roof lights to the side/rear extension (6 in total).

No public comments – expired

g. Highfield Campus – (University asked to comment. See Minutes, item 6.)

h. 40 Oakmount Ave –

Stephen Harrison referred this to Jon Willetts on 24:08:23. Not a Planning Application. No current information

i. 23/01552/NMA - 46 Blenheim Avenue Southampton SO17 1DU

Non-material amendment sought to planning permission ref 23/00304/FUL for an additional post to front porch 46 Blenheim Avenue Southampton SO17 1DU (referred to Malcolm White OTRA). No objections

j. 23/00617/FUL - 112 Upper Shaftesbury Ave SO17 3RT – possible breach of Conditional Planning Approval

23/00617/FUL Erection of a first-floor rear extension, hip to gable extension and rear dormer) plus loft conversion under permitted development for 6th bedroom. There were 11 public comments objecting including HRA to the initial PA. Expected increase in HMO from 4 bed to 7-bed (although only 6-bed on the Planning Application). Conditional Planning Approval was granted.

Then – a copy of email from HRA member to the Planning Officer from HRA member CP

1/ The new gable end (facing 110 Upper Shaftesbury) forming the dormer, has been built in facing brickwork with a neat-pointed finish. This does not accord with the drawing ref PG 8027.23.2 Elevation 5 (Proposed Side) submitted with the planning application which shows render, to match the finish on the existing first floor. You approved this drawing, together with condition 3 to state that new materials should match existing. It does look odd to have brick/render/brick on the one elevation.

2/ I am aware that in the new second floor dormer, timber framework has been built to form 2 bedrooms not one as per drawing PG 8027.23.2 Plan 3 (Second Floor) that was submitted with the planning application.

I was informed that this framework would be taken down, but to date I am not aware that it has, and in light of other matters I've been told would happen but haven't I suspect this won't either.

The effect of allowing this bedroom is that it turns this property into a Sui Generis property with seven bedrooms which would be subject to a separate planning application.

You are aware that previously my wife had written to you on 14th July 2023 advising that we had seen drawings showing a seventh bedroom

Could you please investigate these matters, to ensure that the building works done accord with your conditional planning approval? CP. On-going.

k. Lovers walk Section 38 Commons Act 2006 Application (papers available on request)

Dear Sirs (HRA)

Southampton City Council is applying to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) for consent to construct works on Lovers' Walk, Southampton Common, Southampton, which is a registered common under section 38 of the Commons Act 2006. The Planning Inspectorate will determine the application on behalf of Defra.

The proposed works are to resurface and widen Lovers' Walk with associated mitigation works and includes: The resurfacing of the existing tarmacadam hard surface with replacement tarmacadam hard surfacing over the existing width of two sections.

- The widening of the existing path along the same two sections with tarmacadam hard surfacing.
- Replacing the existing compacted gravel path along a third section with tarmacadam hard surfacing (with retrospective consent sought for previous works to replace the former hoggin surface with the current compacted gravel surface over a uniform 3 metre width).
- The reinstatement and repair of the grass verges adjacent to Lovers' Walk.

- The installation of cycle speed calming measures comprising bollards and bunds.
 - The removal of redundant hardstanding areas adjacent to Lovers' Walk and from three other areas on Southampton Common and reinstatement to grass; and
 - The temporary erection of fencing for health and safety purposes to facilitate (i) to (vi) above.
- I. **23/01581/FUL Erection of single storey rear extension 5 Crofton Close Southampton SO17 1XB** Following removal of existing conservatory, partial conversion of garage to living accommodation including replacement of garage door with window, erection of outbuilding. 5 Crofton Close Southampton SO17 1XB. No HRA objection