

Planning and Highways Report

Annual Parish Assembly 2019

Councillor John Fuller, Chair of Planning & Highways Committee

The Haydon Wick Parish Council Planning Committee carries out the preliminary review of all planning applications affecting the properties or land within the parish.

Applications may range from something as small as the addition of a front porch, through extensions to an existing house and commercial signage. The planning committee tries to protect the built environment from what it considers as unsuitable or overbearing development. Any objection raised must be based on the formal planning guidelines. In the case of an objection by the parish council, it is sometimes possible to advise the applicant as to remedial measures which may address the issues which led to the objection.

The parish council submits its decision to the borough council planning committee who are the final arbiters as to acceptance or rejection of any individual application.

The committee is also involved in looking at highway issues on behalf of the parish council.

Some examples of our work from the past year:

- 118 planning applications examined
- Tadpole Lane field access in process of design
- Signage at the Lady Lane junction on Thamesdown Drive now shows directions to Haydon Wick
- SBC planning training attended by members of the committee
- Question time meeting with Councillor Maureen Penny, SBC cabinet member for Highways and Environment to discuss traffic related matters as they affect Haydon Wick
- Successfully pressed for a Toucan crossing on Westfield Way adjacent to the Manor pub.