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Our Ref: ECS/RHA/17-03

Dear Sir,

17/00166/FUL. Land Adjacent to New Life Clinic, The Pines, 2 The Parade Epsom, Surrey KT18 5DH. Erection of a detached dwelling.

This application is for the construction of a new dwelling on an extremely narrow plot lying between The Pines (listed Grade II) and Friars Garth, a conventional house dating perhaps from the 1920's or 30's.

Given the difficulties of the site and the very adventurous nature of the design of the proposed house, the application was discussed by the Society's Committee at their meeting on 15th June.

The Society welcomes innovative design and in this case felt that attempting to squeeze a more conventional design onto the site would probably result in a most unsatisfactory appearance. However, there were mixed views regarding the success of the proposed design particularly the north elevation facing The Parade. It was felt that the large blank limestone clad wall adjoining The Pines was overbearing and would be improved by the inclusion of some sort of feature, perhaps windows, if these suited the internal arrangements.

The Society therefore does not wish to object to this application but to suggest that some amendments might be made to make the north elevation more interesting. It would be helpful in this regard if a coloured version of drawing no. 2016/07 'Proposed North Elevation' was available.

Yours faithfully

Robert Austen
For Epsom Civic Society

