





The Planning Officer
Waverley Borough Council
Western Planning Committee
BY EMAIL

25 April 2024

Dear Sir

Technology House (PRA/2024/00708) - Objection

The Haslemere Society objects to this application on the following grounds:

- Energy strategy. The application does not include an Energy Strategy, as required by LPP2 Policy DM2: Energy Efficiency. The application also contains no mention of renewables, in particular photovoltaics, which would be beneficial for the scheme. This suggests a lack of commitment by the applicant to mitigate the impact of the proposals on climate change as required by WBC policies.
- 2. Water use. The proposals do not detail any water efficiency measures and are therefore not compliant with Policy CC2: Sustainable Construction and Design of WBC's Climate Change and Sustainability SPD. Furthermore, the proposed plans appear to show only baths will be fitted in the bathrooms and in the case of flats 1, 4 & 5, it appears that either the eaves or a window may make it impossible to fit a shower over the bath. If that is the case, it is unacceptable in the current circumstances. Considering the ongoing issues with drought and water shortages in Haslemere, only developments demonstrating full compliance with WBC's policies on water efficiency, rainwater and greywater recycling should be supported.
- 3. **Climate Change and Sustainability**. In addition to the lack of water efficiency measures, the application also does not include a Climate Change and Sustainability Checklist as required by Policy CC2 of the SPD.
- 4. **Amenity space**. It is unclear from the proposal how much amenity space will be provided to the new residential units and how any such space will be provided. We therefore question whether the proposals are compliant with WBC LPP2 Policy DM5: Safeguarding Amenity.

Yours Sincerely

S. Dullaway (by email) (on behalf of The Haslemere Society Planning Group)