Highway Development Control Consultation Response

Planning Application Ref: PL/2023/09256

Site Address: 5 New Road, Calne, SN11 0JJ.

Proposal: New drive area to the front garden with the removal of the existing front wall and gate along with planting. New dropped kerb to pavement.

Date of Consultation Response: 28/11/2023

I refer to the above planning application dated 25/10/2023 seeking permission to provide a new drive area to the front garden with the removal of the existing front wall and gate along with planting, and a new dropped kerb to pavement.

The site is located on the A4, New Road, a classified section of public highway subject to a speed limit of 30mph. There is exiting on street parking to the site frontage, which by virtue of this application would result in the loss of at least one on-street parking facility.

The driveway has been shown to be sufficient to accommodate a single vehicle parking space, which would replace the on-street space. A turntable is proposed to enable access and egress in a forward gear, which given the status of the road would be beneficial if maintained. The removal of the front wall would allow for clear visibility of pedestrians on the footpath across the site frontage.

It is unclear if the turntable would be able to turn a vehicle within the space without conflicting with existing boundary walls and the property, the space highlighted for parking is tight and without the turntable would pose a highway safety issue as it would not provide for access/egress in a forward gear on a busy A class road between parked vehicles. Without turning I would not be in a position to support the proposals, therefore it should be demonstrated that the turntable would enable egress in a forward gear and turning within the curtilage.

If you have any queries regarding the above advice, please contact:
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