18 Church Grove Hampton Wick KT1 4AL

Planning Application: 24/1443/HOT Committee Meeting: 16th October 2024 Additional Information for Committee

1) REGARDS SIZE OF SPACE

The new second vehicle space is more than adequate for a second vehicle. Our second car is currently a mid-size family SUV and has 350mm additional space. This is before we purchase a smaller EV such as a mini as planned.

Our planning has been recommended to be refused due to size of the space. Ours is a neat solution to how to move to a green EV future.



2) REGARDS CONSERVATION & URBAN DESIGN

18 Church Grove is a **townhouse with elevated ground floor**. The parking of a second vehicle does not impede the look and feel of the building nor does it spoil the view from inside looking out. The front wall involved is not a period wall and is of 1970s brick – there is no damage or change to the heritage asset as mentioned in the planning report. Any reference to that is purely subjective.



3) ELECTRIC VEHICLE POLICY

Richmond Council announced last year a much lighter response to allowing front driveways in order to facilitate EV charging and solve the problem of how to charge EV's as the world adapts to climate.

A video on the councils facebook page announcing relaxed rules for driveways using a very short drive allowing a mini to park to announce its changes. Link below https://www.facebook.com/lbrut/videos/1566536827214047



4) ENFORCEMENT

The planning report states that there is no way to enforce a vehicle being of the right size for the drive if we were to place a large vehicle that overshoots on it. However when discussing the issue with Chris Tankard he made it very clear that we must not park over the pathway during this application period and any infringement would be enforced by the many Parking Enforcement oPicers on our road. So enforcement is totally possible going forward despite it not being needed.

5) OBJECTIONS

There are NO local objections to this minor development and nothing but support as its helps our small community with the nightmare that is parking in HW.