

AGM: Tuesday, 4th June 2025 at 27 Princes Road, Weybridge, 8pm

TRG Committee's Report 2024/2025 (from 8th June 2024 till 26th May 2025)

1. Planning Applications

During this period, TRG has once again engaged in making submissions for applications/appeals that would have had a negative impact on the Triangle.

In its response to all the applications listed, TRG adopted its usual approach of submitting detailed, evidence-based cases, and followed these up by ensuring that ward councillors were made aware of residents' concerns.

As ever, residents' own submissions to the Planning Department proved invaluable, both in terms of ensuring that the threshold to elevate the application in question for consideration by the Area Planning Committee was reached (a minimum of 15 objections from separate households in the borough), and by demonstrating the local strength of feeling to councillors.

For each appeal, TRG produced a detailed submission analysing the appellant's case in detail and responding to it point by point.

The details of applications/appeals to which TRG responded with detailed submissions are as follows:

Applications:

2024/0604	Land South of Suffolk House,	Application refused
	19 Princes Road,	
	Weybridge, Surrey, KT13 9BH	
2024/2864	1 Princes Road, Weybridge,	Application agreed
	KT13 9TU	subject to officials
		clarifying legal points
2024/2769:	41 Princes Road, Weybridge	Under consideration
	KT13 9BN	

Appeals

Planning application number: 2023/1127. Appeal reference: APP/K3605/W/23/3327662	Rear of 85 Queens Road Weybridge Surrey KT13 9UQ:	Appeal dismissed
Planning Application <u>2022/3403</u> Appeal Reference <u>APP/K3605/W/23/3324192</u>	3 Beacon Mews South Road Weybridge Surrey KT13 9DZ	Appeal dismissed
Planning Application <u>2023/2215</u> Appeal Reference <u>APP/K3605/W/23/3333903</u>	Rear of 85 Queens Road Weybridge Surrey KT13 9UQ	Appeal dismissed
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2. Traffic and Parking in the Triangle

2.1 Background

Surveys of Residents have consistently over the years highlighted concerns relating to:

- inconsiderate parking in Princes Road leading to overhanging and even sometimes blocking of drives and impeding of sightlines
- high road speeds in Pine Grove, despite the introduction of the 20mph limit

These issues have periodically been raised with Surrey County Council (SCC) without any significant progress being made.

2.2 Current position

Feedback from residents shows that these continue to be problems and TRG registered those concerns with Cllr Tim Oliver, Leader of Surrey Council in September 2024. Our letter can be seen <u>here</u>.

TRG has subsequently held 2 videoconferences and conducted a walkthrough of the Triangle with Cllr Tim Oliver, Leader of Surrey Council and officials from the County Highways Authority.

As a result, SCC has agreed to consider the following, subject to confirmation that residents are supportive:

- Implementation of a <u>Residents' Permit Scheme</u> for Princes Road/New Road
- Provision of spaces for cars to park in Pine Grove near the junction with Princes Road to slow traffic speeds
- Closure at roughly their mid points, of Princes Road and Pine Grove (initially a SCC suggestion)

SCC did offer to consider a single, time-restricted yellow line in Princes Road, but the TRG Committee decided not to take this forward as it would not address the issue of inconsiderate parking.

SCC has agreed to revert on the following:

- Address sightlines at the bell mouth outside the Jolly Farmer with a traffic island or by building out existing roads to aid traffic flow
- Removal of the first parking space at the junction of Queens Road and Princes Road to improve sightlines.

- Narrowing of blind bend in Pine Grove to slow traffic
- Install 20mph repeater signs on the upslope after traffic has turned into Pine Grove from Hanger Hill
- Repaint yellow lines
- Parking regulation enforcement

The Committee raised the problem of cars turning at dangerous speeds from Hanger Hill into Pine Grove but agreed to await the implementation of the Hanger Hill 20mph speed limit (currently scheduled for October 2025) to assess its impact.

2.3 Consultation Process

TRG will consult residents

The consultation process will commence with the AGM on 4th June at Princes Newt, 27 Princes Road.

That will be followed by an email survey via SurveyMonkey and a leaflet drop to all households

3. Response to EBC Consultation

TRG responded to the following consultations with detailed arguments:

- When commenting on a planning application, names and addresses of people making comments will not be published on the website
- Printed paper copies of the Local Plan documents will no longer be displayed in local libraries

TRG submitted detailed arguments against both, which can be seen here.

TRG does not accept the reasons EBC cited in going ahead with both and will pursue the former issue to try to achieve a more satisfactory outcome.

4. Newsletters

5 newsletters have been published since the last AGM.

5. Finances

TRG is funded entirely by donations, whether from Committee Members or residents. These defray website and any printing costs incurred. Any funds we have are held on our behalf by Ferdi Fischer.

We currently have a credit balance of £40.

6. Committee

We were pleased to welcome Margaret Ralston, landlady of the Jolly Farmer to the committee effective 14th February 2025.

All current members of the Committee are standing for re-election. TRG would welcome additional committee members. Let us know by email to <u>trgweybridge@gmail.com</u> or speak to Nick Thripp on 07500549178 if you are interested.

On behalf of the TRG Committee,

Nick Thripp

Chair



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