



Newsletter No.70– 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023

**1. 2023/1127 & 2023/1128 - Rear of 85 Queens Road Weybridge  
Surrey KT13 9UQ**

Residents will be aware of the welter of applications in respect of what used to be the Café Rouge site.

These 2 new applications seek a change of use of what is claimed to be an existing commercial building to 2 residential units.

The developers assert that, *"The existing class E use generates traffic. It is considered on balance that the conversion to 2 class C3 units will reduce the overall level of vehicular movement and parking demand in the area."*

Our understanding, however, is that these buildings have never operated as offices, but have remained empty throughout this period.

As these premises have not been in use as offices, there has never been any traffic. If they convert to residential, additional traffic will be generated and the cars which the new owners would inevitably bring with them, will need to be parked. No off-street parking is proposed. The CPZ in South and York Roads is now 8am - 10pm every day.

We therefore expect the cars' owners to seek parking spaces in The Triangle.

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A minimum of 15 objections from separate households in the borough for the applications are required for the application to be elevated to the Planning Committee where it will receive closer scrutiny.

Residents can make representations by email to [tplan@elmbridge.gov.uk](mailto:tplan@elmbridge.gov.uk), remembering to include the application details and number and their own name and address, or via the EBC portal at both [2023/1127](#) and [2023/1128](#)

In order to ensure that these applications are both brought to the Planning Committee, residents would need to make representations on both [2023/1127](#) and [2023/1128](#)

There are currently 8 objections. 15 are required to elevate this application to the Planning Committee.

**The closing date for representations is 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

## **2. 6 Pine Grove Weybridge, Surrey KT13 9AX. [2023/1043](#)**

The previous application to redevelop this site was withdrawn after attracting several local objections. This new application is for the demolition of the existing Victorian house and its replacement by a pair of semi-detached houses, one of two-storeys, the other of three, and a terrace of three houses, one of two-storeys, two of three storeys. The application has attracted a measure of local support (11 objections to date comprising 3 from Pine Grove, 3 from Grove Place and 1 from Daneswood, plus 3 from other roads in Weybridge /Walton and one from Dorset)

The views put forward in favour in summary are that the current building, irrespective of its heritage, is beyond economic repair, the design proposed is attractive and turning down this application will only delay the inevitable.

There are, to date, 3 objections which concentrate on the dangers posed by this intensity of development so close to a dangerous bend.

The current building will, despite detrimental impact on the street scene and loss of a historical asset, almost certainly have to be replaced because

it is beyond economic repair. The style of replacement proposed appears acceptable and has so far attracted little comment. There are, however, serious concerns about the intensity of development with its access moved even closer to the dangerous bend.

Moreover, in the current proposal the full height flank walls are now positioned close to the boundaries of adjacent properties. The proposed buildings' mass would dominate them and impact negatively on the local street scene.

These aspects must be addressed before redevelopment of this prominent site would be regarded as acceptable. Given the diversity of local views, it is important that elected Councillors should consider and determine the final outcome. Residents' views submitted in response to the previous application for this site, will not be taken into account for the current application, so if you have a view, please submit it.

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**The closing date for representations is 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

### **3. Weybridge Festival, 16<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

The [Weybridge Society](#) is organising a nine-day Festival which will include events in St James's Church, the Synagogue, Brooklands College, The Sam Beare Bookshop, Osso Buco, La Casa, Valentina, The Jolly Farmer and several other pubs, cafés, and home design shops, such as The Home Library and Schmidt.

The Festival programme is available on the [Weybridge Society website](#) and will be updated as the arrangements are confirmed.

The Community Fair will take place at Churchfields Recreation Ground on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2023, 12.00-18.00.

The Community Fair has also grown significantly since 2022, with 80+ market, charity and community stall holders bringing with them in the region of 100 gazebos or their equivalent, plus 2 stages, a much improved sound system, [a dog show with 4 pedigree classes and 6 fun classes](#),

classic cars ( often with film and TV pedigrees) provided both by Brooklands Museum and Ultimate Classic Car Hire, a beer tent run by the Vandals, a much extended food offering, and Prosecco, Cream Teas & hand-decorated gâteaux (in the Community Centre)

Performers include a wide variety of dancers, singers, and musicians, and there will be opportunities for the public to practise Salsa and learn the Fox Trot.

The programmes for the Churchfield Open Air Stage and the Springfield covered stage are available on the [Weybridge Society website](#).

Among the events taking place during the week will be an **Art Exhibition and Competition**, supported by talks on different aspects of art.

Volunteers are sought to help with the Art Exhibition and Competition, and the Community Fair.

Residents interested in volunteering for the Community Fair should contact Dave Arnold, [chairman@weybridgesociety.org.uk](mailto:chairman@weybridgesociety.org.uk) or Nick Thrupp [nickthripp@weybridgesociety.org.uk](mailto:nickthripp@weybridgesociety.org.uk)

Residents interested in volunteering for the Arts Exhibition & Competition should contact Valerie Ellis, the Festival's Director, Visual Arts [valerieellisart@gmail.com](mailto:valerieellisart@gmail.com)

#### **4. Annual General Meeting 2023**

The TRG AGM will be held by videoconference on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 20.00 hours to:

- Receive the committee's report

- Elect the committee

- Decide on any resolution duly submitted to the meeting (see below)

Video conference details will be circulated closer to the date.

**We would encourage residents to attend, give us their feedback and share their concerns.**

#### **5. TRG Committee & Communications**

Triangle residents who would like to join the Committee or participate in TRG activities should email [trgweybridge@gmail.com](mailto:trgweybridge@gmail.com) or speak to Nick Thrupp on 01932 855579.

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TRG normally communicates with residents via email. Please let us know at [trgweybridge@gmail.com](mailto:trgweybridge@gmail.com) if you would like to be added to our e-mail list.

**The TRG Committee** (Nick Thripp, Dave Arnold, Ferdi Fischer, Greg Popper and Alan Wright)

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