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Response to Planning application from Hertfordshire County Council (T and CP GDP Order 2015)

Director of Planning

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District ref: 24/02002/FPH
HCC ref: NH/25193/2025
HCC received: 30 May 2025
Area manager: Manjinder Sehmi
Case officer: Geoffrey McMahon

Location

158 PIXMORE WAY LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY SG6 1QS

Application type

Full Application

Proposal

Installation of grasscrete driveway and dropped kerb

Recommendation

Notice is given under article 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 that Hertfordshire County Council as Highway Authority recommends that permission be refused because the proposal contradicts HCC's Residential Dropped Kerbs Policy.

The proposed plan drawing shows the new driveway measuring 5.1 x 5.1m, but does not take account of the fact that the highway boundary is approximately 1m behind the back of the footway, making the effective depth of the driveway 4.1m. The current version of the Dropped Kerbs Policy (June 2025 p.3) states: *The depth of your driveway/hardstanding must be a minimum of 5m.* The Authority does not wish to see highway rights extinguished from land that has been designated as maintainable at public expense.

The Highway Authority notes that the applicant has already made an unsuccessful Section 184 application to the county council for a vehicle crossover at this location.

Signed

Geoff McMahon

16 June 2025