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WORTHING SOCIETY CONSULTATION RESPONSE

AWDM/0794/25 - HEENE PLACE WORTHING WEST SUSSEX.
Resurfacing of southern part of the road in tarmac and installation of removable parking bollards

Thank you for requesting our comments in respect of the above application. The development site is located within the Marine Parade and Hinterland Conservation Area (CA).

I have now had the opportunity to discuss the proposal with our Heritage Team. We consider that the cobble surface contributes positively to the architectural and historic character of this part of the CA. It is unfortunate that the surface has fallen into disrepair. However, the failure to maintain the area should not be a contributory factor to deciding to resurface with tarmac.

The Conservation Area Appraisal Document (CAAD) refers to Heene Place as follows:

'At the rear of Heene Terrace is Heene Place, a terrace of modest cottages converted from the Mews to Heene Terrace. These buildings have considerable local historic and architectural interest. The street itself also is of considerable interest in that underneath the poorly maintained wearing surface, the original cobble surface still survives.'

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In summary we submit that the cobble surface is an important element. We consider a tarmac surface would harm the appearance and setting of the CA which would not be consistent with the Planning (Listed Building Conservation Areas) Act 1990. The Society therefore objects to this application

Yours sincerely

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Worthing Society Chair

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