PLANNING COMMENT FOR APPLICATION REF: 5/2024/1221

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Please can the planning inspector note the cars, traffic and parking situation on Ardens Way when considering any applications for development to ensure any development provides adequate and practical parking solutions. Ardens Way has become a very busy through-road between Barnfield Road and The Ridgway and there are now many parked cars and vans on the road, many of which belong to houses on Briar Road but are spilling over to Ardens Way. The road is not wide enough for vans, lorries and bin collectors to pass the parked cars so they have to go up on the verges to pass so the verges are really suffering.

Most of the houses on Ardens Way are occupied by families so there are many children crossing the road everyday which is becoming more dangerous due to the parked cars obscuring visibility, increased traffic of cars waiting to pass each other at after school time and vehicles mounting the verges.

Cars parked opposite driveways also make it very difficult for people to drive off their driveways safely.

We also would like to query why the application site plan does not include the whole of the garden of 38. It is split into the area edged red (being 38 and the new proposed 38A) and then an area edged blue (being the back half of the garden). We have tried to speak to the applicants about this but unfortunately keep missing them and the deadline to respond is tomorrow. Please can the planning inspector review this with the applicant to ensure there are no plans for a further house that is planned in the blue area (meaning 3 houses will be built on the site). This would put even more strain and pressure on the existing issues with cars, traffic and parking on Ardens Way.