

WRITTEN STATEMENT

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1971

ERECTION OF SIX DWELLINGS, LAND AT PERRITON CROSS, WHIMPLE

APPEAL BY MRS. R. NORTHCOTT

APPLICATION NO. 7/48/89/P1655/00059

HIGHWAY REASONS FOR REFUSAL

The roads giving access to the site are, by reason of inadequate width and vertical and horizontal alignment unsuitable to accommodate the increase in traffic likely to be generated.

The application site has insufficient frontage to the County road in the ownership and control of the applicant to provide access with adequate visibility for and of emerging vehicles with consequent additional danger to all users of the County road.

There is inadequate footway provision to accommodate the additional pedestrian traffic likely to be generated by the proposed development.

HIGHWAY FEATURES

The site is situated to the north east of the centre of Whimple at the junction of two Class III County Roads.

The road on the southern boundary of the site leads from Whimple through to Fairmile and the road on the eastern boundary leads to Talaton. Both these roads have the function of collector roads in the County Council's Rural Road Network.

The road on the southern boundary is subject to a 30 miles per hour speed limit from Perriton Cross back to Whimple and has some street lights. There are no footways along the road or continuous usable verges. The carriageway width varies from around 4.5 to 5.0 metres.

The road on the eastern boundary is not subject to any local speed limits and is without street lights. There are narrow grass verges on either side of the road but no footways. The carriageway width varies from around 4.5 to 6.0 metres. Visibility at the junction of the two roads taken from a point 1.05 metres above road level is estimated as follows:-

<u>Visibility</u>	<u>Right</u>	<u>Left</u>
2.4 metres back from edge of carriageway	180 metres	33 metres
4.5 metres back from edge of carriageway	180 metres	21 metres

There are no traffic flow figures available for this road and the Police have not reported any accidents within the vicinity of the site in the past three years.