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**Planning Roundup**

Another quarter without the dramatic flood of planning applications we were subjected to a year ago, presumably due to the recession. Plans for many substantial developments in Emsworth have been withdrawn or put on hold in the last year.

New applications have been limited to a few single houses, usually on garden plots and a smattering of alterations and extensions. Current infilling proposals include the gardens of 21 Redlands Lane and 20 Park Crescent. Both are squeezing a single house or bungalow into what is a good-sized garden.

The ERA has objected to 20 Park Crescent and the case was still pending when The EMS went to press. The 'Design Statement' contains the most appalling load of 'greenwash' I have ever seen in a planning application. For example, they talk of 'maximising solar gain' when there are virtually no windows on the south side. The Development Control Department needs to guard against this kind of greenwash. By all means include eco-features in designs - they ought to be considered all the time - but we need to make sure they are real and substantial.

An ambitious plan for a large chalet bungalow with an almost detached annex sufficient to become a separate house was submitted for the back garden of 26 Selangor Avenue. The application was withdrawn before a decision could be taken. Access is very cramped with several trees requiring removal as they would be very close to the proposed buildings. The trees now have TPO's on them as they provide important screening to neighbouring properties.

**Refusals**

The conversion of 64 Havant Road into miniscule flats has been rejected for the second time.



An application to make a vehicular access to 46 North Street has been rejected. The terrace of 18th century almshouses has an old flint wall in front, which would have needed removing, and a Yew tree in the garden. Both these are important to the street scene and therefore permission was refused. A TPO has been placed on the tree.

A long-running attempt to replace a pair of 1920's bungalows at 7&8 Western Parade is still being refused - long may this go on.

Meantime the houses are looking very sad and neglected. Isn't it time they gave up and put in a reasonable proposal for modernisation and refurbishment, to preserve a touch of the old simpler Emsworth waterfront?  
*Richard Jannaway*

**Dead Duck - The victim of a hit and run driver, it lay at the edge of the Town Millpond, a squashed Mallard. Welcome to Bath Road.**

I'm writing this, not to solicit sympathy for being lucky enough to live by the Millpond but because I'm concerned about the speed of cars driven along this pavement-less road. I use Bath Road as an example because I see it outside my front window every day, but of course, it isn't the only street in Emsworth where pedestrians are second-class citizens. Havant Road, Horndean Road, New Brighton Road, Warblington Road - cars tear along them so that crossing the road means dicing with death. I watch cars and lorries ignoring the red lights on the Toucan crossings on Havant Road and feel lucky every time I make it to the other side unharmed. And I'm sure that anyone reading this piece can provide other examples in Emsworth of speeding, thoughtless driving and other reckless behaviour by drivers.

So that's my rant. But what can be done about it? Well, "Twenty's Plenty" was pioneered in Portsmouth with some positive results and there are places in Havant Borough where a twenty mile an hour speed limit is already in place.

Perhaps a speed camera (with film) on Havant Road would have some impact on drivers and speed humps are another way of slowing down cars, vans and lorries.

If you agree this problem needs addressing, you could lobby Havant Borough Council. The relevant person to send your letter to is Martin Leach, Traffic Engineer Team Leader with a copy to your local councillors and to your County Councillor. The addresses are on the back page of The EMS

I know these suggested measures cost money that would have to come from our Council Tax but, and I recognise this is a cliché, can you put a price on the lives of our children and grandchildren, parents and partners, even our dogs and ducks?  
*Ann Jolly*

**Emsworth Centre, South Street - Project group formed**

Following the recent public exhibition on plans to update the Emsworth Centre, a project group has been assembled to examine in detail the public responses. New loos and no loss of parking spaces are an important part of the overall project. This group is compiling a list of options and a draft business plan and will report to Havant Borough Council in March. So we expect to be able give you a progress report in the next issue of The EMS. *Howard Jacobs*

**Emsworth Museum**

Emsworth Museum has been a feature of the community for 20 years. It is run by the Emsworth Maritime and Historical Trust to collect, display and preserve the history of this unique corner of England. The Museum is situated above the Fire Station in North Street. During the summer months it is open for visitors at weekends with access at other times by arrangement and for research.

**New research and activity area**

Several bequests have enabled the committee running the Museum to make major changes to the lay-out of the interior. A research and activity area has been created, which has computer access to the records and a screen on the wall for presentations. The oral and video history tapes are in the process of being upgraded to DVDs, so that they can be viewed either on the screen for a group, or on the computer if it is a sole researcher.

**Emsworth's Oyster Trade**

The results of the survey of the oyster beds along the foreshore carried out last winter, in collaboration with Chichester Harbour Conservancy and Chichester & District Archaeological Society, will form the basis of a new permanent display in the main gallery and a forthcoming book.

**Guided walks**

During the summer, Alan and Monica Hurd led booked group walks around Emsworth and John Tweddell, our Vice Chairman, led general public walks. Helpers are needed so that this walks programme can be increased next year.

**Children's story times**

In 2009, we hope to arrange some children's story times during the half-term holidays as well as getting some of our machines into working order for the children to see how they were used. Emsworth Museum is determined to be more interactive with things to do, as well as see, but we need more help.

**Get involved**

The Trust, which is 33 years old, is totally self-financing and run by volunteers, many of whom have been involved since the Museum opened 20 years ago. We need new people as our current volunteers get older. If you enjoy talking to people and sharing your love of Emsworth with others, please do come and help by donating a couple of hours once a month. We also need your skills for developing and maintaining our facilities.

It is important to preserve what we are today for those following us tomorrow. For more details, contact our secretary Dorothy Bone on 01243 373780 or myself, *Linda Newell*, Museum Administrator, at [envr@btinternet.com](mailto:envr@btinternet.com)

**Washington Road School**

**Information and Photographs wanted by Emsworth Museum**

The Washington Road School was opened in 1909. To celebrate the 100th anniversary of this school, we plan to have an exhibition of photographs and material during 2009. Did you attend this school? Or know someone who did? Do you have any photographs, school reports, books, certificates, etc?



We already have quite a lot of items but if you have anything that you could lend or donate for the exhibition, telephone 01243 378091 or email [dorothybone@btinternet.com](mailto:dorothybone@btinternet.com) or [envr@btinternet.com](mailto:envr@btinternet.com). Please don't deliver anything to the museum - it is closed until next Easter.

*Dorothy Bone*

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