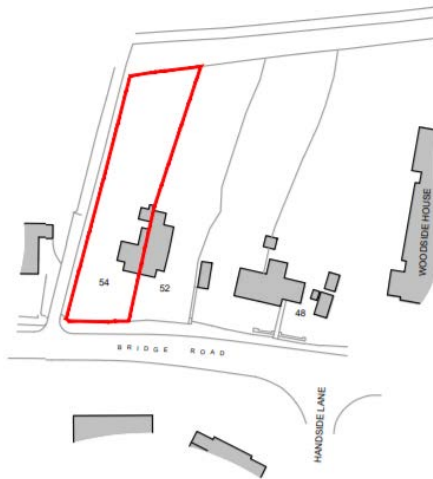




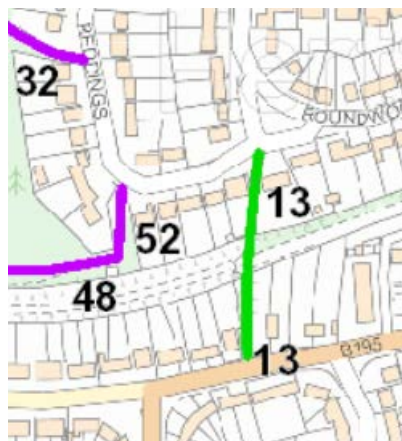
Hertfordshire and North Middlesex Area

PLANNING APPLICATION 6/2020/1837/FULL **(54 Bridge Road, WGC AL8 6UR)** **RAMBLERS SUBMISSION**

1. The Ramblers is a registered charity. It is also a statutory consultee under Public Rights of Way and Planning Law, and in this role represents the wider walking community. I am the Ramblers Footpath Secretary (Paths & Ways Officer) for Welwyn Hatfield Borough.
2. I formally represent the Ramblers at this level within Welwyn Hatfield Borough with the authority of its Herts and North Middlesex Area (H&NMA) through the Area Council's Footpath Secretaries Sub-committee. In turn the Area draws its authority from The Ramblers' Board of Trustees through the Ramblers' Chief Executive Officer.
3. I also support, complement and liaise with colleagues who represent the Ramblers at local (parish/town) level within Welwyn Hatfield. John Dean is the Local Footpath Secretary for the local area which includes the location of this planning application. He may submit his own comment.
4. This is my submission regarding planning application (PA) 6/2020/1837/FULL (54 Bridge Road, WGC AL8 6UR), made within the 31st August 2020 deadline. It is attached to my covering email, with a summary comment in the comments box for this application on your website (which does not allow the docx format).
5. Referring to the plans in the application and to the line of the public footpath (PFP) as shown on Hertfordshire County Council's (HCC) online representation of the Definitive Map (DM), PFP WGC 13 runs along the west side of the property:



PA Plans



Online DM Map

6. The footpath, where it is adjacent to the proposed works, should not be affected as a result of the works. Furthermore, during the works, and beyond, full continuous safe access to, and use of, the footpath should be maintained, with safety signage when appropriate during the works. If one or more temporary closures become unavoidable during the works, any such temporary changes should be kept to the minimum and be carried out in full compliance with the law, through Hertfordshire County Council's CROW Service.

7. If any fencing/hedging work is carried out along the west side of the property, along which PFP WGC 13 runs, this fencing/hedging work should not result in any impingement on any of the full width of the PFP or in overhanging vegetation along the PFP following the work and beyond the work in the future.

Ian Hardy
25th August 2020

Ramblers Area Borough Paths & Ways Officer (Hertsmere and Welwyn Hatfield Boroughs, Hertfordshire; Enfield Borough)

Ramblers Local Paths & Ways Officer (Shenley, Ridge, South Mimms and Potters Bar Parishes, Hertsmere Borough, Hertfordshire; Northaw & Cuffley Parish, Welwyn Hatfield Borough, Hertfordshire)

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