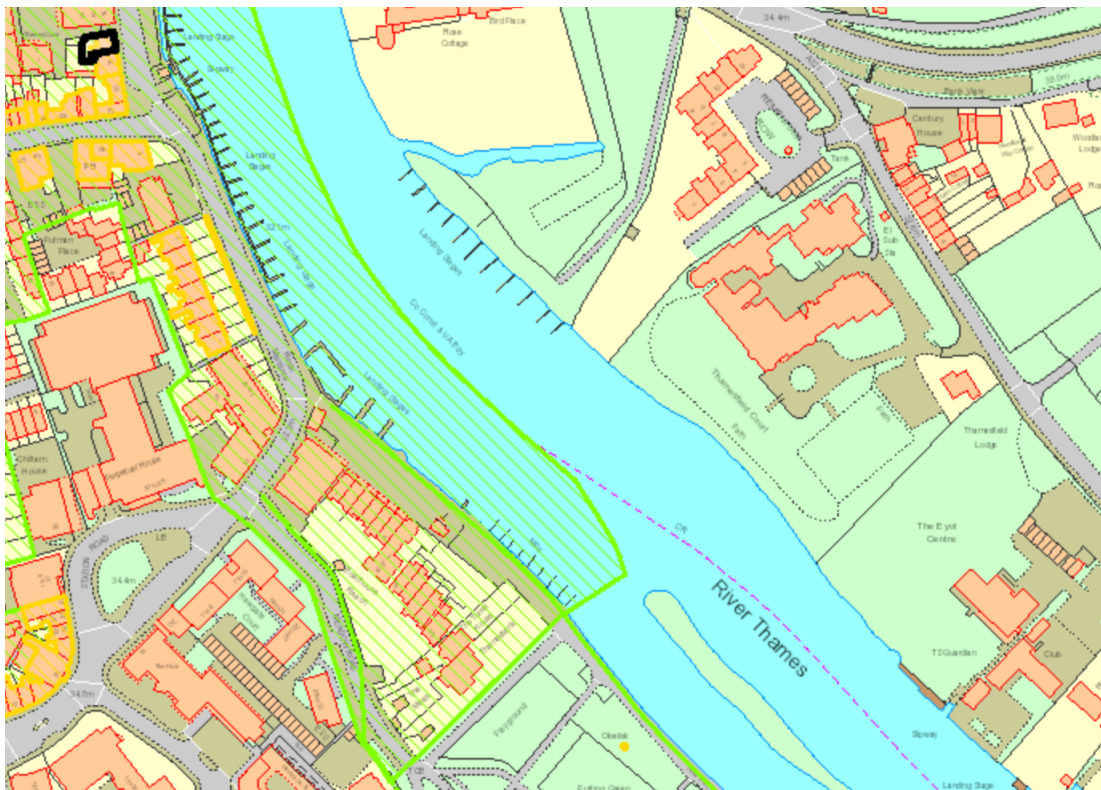


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Good afternoon,

Thank you for consulting us regarding the above application.

The site is located in a visually prominent location and sensitive riverside setting in relation to views from Henley-on-Thames. The built up part of Henley opposite the site is within the Henley Main Conservation Area and there are views towards the site and its wooded backdrop from multiple vantage points within the Conservation Area. The outline of the Conservation Area is shown hatched in green on the map below and a google streetview image is also shown taken in March 2019 from the landing stage area opposite the site.





The existing building on the site and its open grounds to the river are well proportioned and broadly makes a positive contribution to the river and landscape setting of the town and the Conservation Area. The proposed extensions to the building appear to be incongruous in design and disproportionate in scale, height and massing to the existing building and would be visually prominent from the river and the sensitive riverside edge of Henley. I consider that the development would adversely affect the setting of the Henley Conservation Area.

I would refer you to the consultation response submitted by Historic England and I would fully endorse their concerns in respect of the impact of the development on the historic environment and the wider landscape setting of Henley.

Kind regards,

Tom Wyatt

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