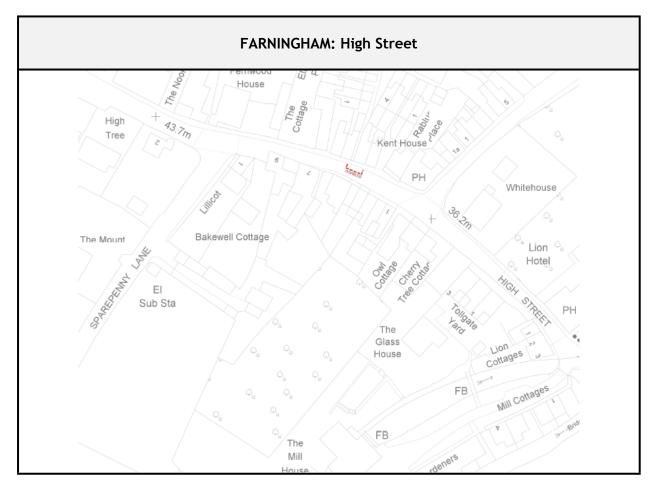
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Farningham Parish Council - The Parish Council does not object to the application
and agrees the location suggested. The only caveat is that sensible amount of space
is calculated to allow parking for whole vehicles from the bottom of the road
(Chequers) upwards so as not to reduce the number of cars able to park.

OFFICERS' COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATION

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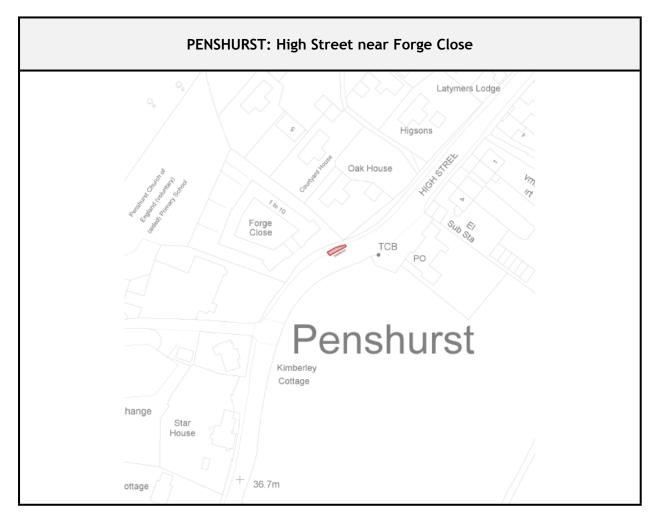
The Parish Council's comments will be taken into account when the disabled persons (blue badge) parking bay is installed.

RECOMMENDATION It is advised that:

In the absence of any objections to the informal consultation, the application be approved, and an interim disabled persons (blue badge) parking bay be marked.

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1	The person applying appears to show no signs of a disability when it comes to mobility. The application requirements state that there must be no off street parking available, in fact there is 3 spaces in the layby and parking available all around us. Reducing the number of parking spaces at Forge Close from 3 to 2 in layby with the apparently disabled person out most of the day would result in cars having to park at the roadside creating traffic hazards for the adjacent school, which already suffers from this problem.
2	The area identified as the proposed disabled parking bay could result in vehicles being parked the other side of the road causing a danger to vehicles leaving the post office/fuel station site, due to restricted sight lines. There isn't anywhere else that to safely park in the village, and therefore we are asking that the positioning of the bay is reconsidered.

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Applications for disabled persons (blue badge) parking bays are often made because a disabled resident experiences problems parking on-street near their home, which due to limited mobility can reduce accessibility and social inclusion.

This application for a disabled persons (blue badge) parking bay meets KCC's personal and locational assessment criteria, so unless there are compelling reasons to do so, it would be difficult for the Board not to approve it, as this could be contrary to the Equalities Act.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approves the application, and an interim disabled persons (blue badge) parking bay be marked.