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Subject: URGENT: Application number: SMD/2026/0333

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Application number: SMD/2026/0333

Application type: Full - Householder

Site address: 18 Willow Close, Upper Tean, Staffordshire, ST10 4DL

Proposal: Alteration to existing driveway including an extended dropped kerb

Applicant: Mr & Miss Soult & Rosie

Case officer: Reuben Berriman

Received / valid: 10/07/2026 / 14/07/2026

Consultation ends: 06/08/2026

Determination required: 08/09/2026

Recommendation: No objection

Comments

Checkley Parish Council has reviewed this householder application for alterations to the existing driveway at 18 Willow Close, Upper Tean, including an extended dropped kerb.

The proposal is modest in scale and relates to residential access and off-street parking within an established residential close. Subject to the technical views of the highway authority, the Parish Council does not identify a planning reason to object.

Highways and access

The principal considerations are highway safety, pedestrian visibility at the dropped kerb, and the impact of any widened or reconfigured access on Willow Close. Checkley Parish Council requests that:

- Staffordshire County Council Highways are satisfied that the extended dropped kerb and driveway arrangement provide adequate visibility and do not create an unacceptable hazard for pedestrians, cyclists or other road users;
- surface water from the driveway is drained so that it does not discharge onto the public highway;
- construction and any temporary works do not obstruct neighbouring accesses or the carriageway for longer than

necessary; and

- any works within the public highway are subject to the appropriate highway licences and specifications.

Residential amenity and character

The Council expects the finished driveway and kerb works to remain residential in character and scale. Materials and levels should not result in an over-engineered or poorly drained frontage that would harm the appearance of the street or neighbouring properties.

Recommendation

Checkley Parish Council raises no objection to application SMD/2026/0333, subject to Staffordshire County Council Highways being content with the detailed dropped-kerb and access design, and subject to standard conditions covering materials, surface water drainage and highway works as the case officer considers necessary.

Note: The public consultation period is recorded as ending 06/08/2026. The Council asks that comments lodged at or near the close of consultation are given due weight.