

TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

held on Monday 6th February 2012

PRESENT Councillor V.M. Abraham – Chairman (presiding)

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| Councillor | A. K. Bacon | Councillor | Mrs C. Littley |
| " | Miss R.K. Bhatti | " | R.C. McCulloch |
| " | N. L. Brown | " | Mrs C. M. Michael |
| " | M. Fayyaz | " | C.H. Spruytenburg |
| " | T. Franks | " | F.S. Wilson |

Officer: W. Richards - Town Clerk

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ms J.E. Bramwell, Mrs P. R. Cherrill, P. J. Hudson, D.J. Lacey, Mrs A.M. Pirouet, M. W. Shaw, Mrs G. Walker and P.W. Yerrell.

75. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Brown declared a personal interest in the planning applications as a Member of Chiltern District Council's Planning Committee. Councillor Brown also declared a personal interest in agenda item 7 as a Member of Buckinghamshire County Council and Chairman of the Chesham and Chiltern Villages Local Area Forum.

Councillor Brown declared a prejudicial interest in planning application no. CH/11/1972/FA due to the proximity of the site to his house and left the chamber during its discussion.

Councillor Fayyaz declared a prejudicial interest in planning application no. CH/11/2041/FA due to his family's connection with the applicant and left the chamber during its discussion.

Councillor Wilson declared a personal interest in agenda item 7 as a member of the Chesham and Chiltern Villages Local Area Forum.

76. **MINUTES**

It was

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on Monday 16th January 2012 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

77. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee considered all planning applications received from Chiltern District Council since the last meeting of the Committee and made comments and observations thereon as set out on the attached schedule.

78. **DECISION NOTICES**

The Committee noted the Decision Notices received from Chiltern District Council since the last meeting of the Committee as set out on the attached schedule.

79. **APPEAL – 147 CHARTRIDGE LANE AND REAR OF 143 AND 145 CHARTRIDGE LANE, CHESHAM**

It was

RESOLVED

that the Committee make no further comments in respect of this Appeal.

80. **CHESHAM AND CHILTERN VILLAGES LOCAL AREA FORUM**

The Committee considered and noted the Minutes of the Chesham and Chiltern Villages Local Area Forum (LAF) held on the 17th October 2011.

In respect to the last LAF meeting held on the 25th January 2012, its Chairman, Councillor Brown, previously reported back to the Committee on its main items for discussion. He advised that the LAF was now deciding upon its local priorities for the coming year; the Delegated Budget was now open to projects not related to transportation and that the short-term future of the Endeavour Centre was secure.

It was

RESOLVED

that the Minutes and verbal update be noted.

81. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

The items presented on the Information Sheet were received and noted.

Councillor Spruytenburg commented that he hoped the much needed repairs to the water mains in Waterside would not prove too disruptive to local residents.

82. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 7.52pm

CHAIRMAN

CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING COMMENTS 6TH FEBRUARY 2012

1) **CH/11/1888/FA** **16 Station Road Chesham** **ST. MARY'S**

Description: Change of use of ground floor level from mixed use (office and opticians) to office use (Use Class B1)

The Committee raises **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application.

2) **CH/11/1970/RM** **BT Openreach** **Outside 51 High Street Chesham** **ST. MARY'S**

Description: Installation of telecommunications cabinet

The Committee raises **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application.

3) **CH/11/1972/FA** **Chesham Community Hospital** **Hospital Hill Chesham** **WATERSIDE**

Description: Redevelopment of site to provide one building ranging from 2 storeys to 5 storeys comprising 80 bed nursing and rehabilitation unit, together with associated vehicular access and parking provision (amendment to planning permission CH/2010/0501/FA)

The Committee welcomes the application subject to adequate parking provision being provided. The Committee would also request some sort of formal Section 106 agreement to improve the state of the access roads to the site.

4) **CH/11/2000/FA** **93 Vale Road Chesham** **VALE**

Description: Detached garage to rear of dwelling served by new vehicular access to Abbots Vale with associated hardstanding and retaining walls.

The Committee recommends **REFUSAL** on the grounds of highway concerns, specifically, likely congestion in Abbots Vale (particularly as the road narrows at the point of the proposed garage) and at the junction with the busy Vale Road. The Committee is also concerned in regard to the permission previously given for the development between Abbots Vale and Glenister Road making an access road to this development and thus increasing traffic in the area. If approved, the Committee would like it conditional on it being of a porous /permeable surface as this site is a flood zone area.

5) **CH/11/2016/FA** **Chesham Town Council** **Chesham Moor Gym & Swim Moor Road Chesham** **WATERSIDE**

Description: Installation of 40 no. solar panels and modules to rear flat roof of existing building

The Committee, as the applicant, has no comments to make in respect to this application

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6) CH/11/2017/FA Chesham Town Council Lowndes Park Depot Bury Lane Chesham ST. MARY'S

Description: Storage Building

The Committee, as the applicant, has no comments to make in respect to this application

7) CH/11/2041/FA 1 Poles Hill Chesham LOWNDES

Description: Part single storey, part two storey front/side/rear extension and erection of detached single garage with new vehicular access onto Darvell Drive and associated hardstanding

The Committee recommends **REFUSAL** due to the proximity of the proposed overhanging canopy to the adjoining property.

8) CH/11/2095/FA 62 Berkeley Avenue Chesham LOWNDES

Description: Single storey rear extension and patio area

The Committee raises **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application.

9) CH/12/0010/FA 22 Upper Belmont Road Chesham RIDGEWAY

Description: First floor rear extension

The Committee raises **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application.

10) CH/12/0023/AGN Field Acres Farm Fullers Hill Chesham ST. MARY'S

Description: Extension to existing grain store

The Committee raises **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application.

11) CH/12/0046/EU 37 Treachers Close Chesham LOWNDES

Description: Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing operation relating to a single storey rear extension

The Committee has no comments to make in respect to this application

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| 12) | CH/12/0049/KA | Francis Yard East Street Chesham | ST. MARY'S |
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Description: Crown reduction of a sycamore within a Conservation Area

The Committee defers to the view of its Tree Warden who recommends that a maximum 30% crown lifting be allowed.

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| 13) | CH/12/0070/TP | 12A Groves Way Chesham | LOWNDES |
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Description: Crown reduction of a maple protected by a Tree Preservation Order

The Committee defers to the view of its Tree Warden who recommends that the application for a crown reduction be refused and that only dead wood and side roots from the base of the tree be removed. Moreover the Committee notes the lack of a rationale submitted for these proposed works.
