

CESHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

held on Monday 16th April 2012

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

Councillor	A. K. Bacon	Councillor	D.J. Lacey
"	Miss R.K. Bhatti	"	R.C. McCulloch
"	Ms J.E. Bramwell	"	Mrs C. M. Michael
"	N. L. Brown	"	Mrs A.M. Pirouet
"	Mrs P. R. Cherrill	"	M. W. Shaw
"	M. Fayyaz	"	C.H. Spruytenburg
"	T. Franks	"	F.S. Wilson
"	P. J. Hudson	"	P.W. Yerrell

Officer: W. Richards - Town Clerk

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mrs C. Littley.

96. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Wilson declared a prejudicial interest in planning application CH/12/0334/SA as the applicant and left the Chamber during its consideration thereof.

Councillor Spruytenburg declared a prejudicial interest in agenda items 6 and 8 as an occasional contractor working for the developer and left the Chamber during their consideration thereof.

Councillors Brown and Mrs Pirouet declared a personal interest in the planning applications as Members of Chiltern District Council's Planning Committee.

Councillor Brown declared a personal interest in agenda item 9 as a Member of Buckinghamshire County Council.

97. MINUTES

It was

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on Monday 19th March 2012 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

98. 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.

99. **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.

100. **APPEAL – UNIT 3 & 4 ESPIRIT, 17 ASHERIDGE ROAD, CHESHAM**

It was

RESOLVED

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

101. **APPEAL – LAND AT REAR OF 242-258 BERKHAMPSTEAD ROAD, CHESHAM**

It was

RESOLVED

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

102. **APPEAL – UNIT 4, ESPIRIT, 17 ASHERIDGE ROAD, CHESHAM**

It was

RESOLVED

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

103. **DELEGATED BUDGET BIDS – 2012-13**

The Clerk informed the Committee that officers at Buckinghamshire County Council had requested that the Council prioritise its previously submitted bids.

It was generally agreed that matters of highway safety and flooding should take precedence, though it was also agreed to prioritise the grasscreting in Fullers Close due to its extremely poor current condition.

Following a proposal from Councillor Mrs Pirouet, the following priority order was agreed:

1. *Flooding amelioration for Fullers Hill/Germain Street as proposed in the Surface Water Management Plan.*
2. *Fullers Close - Grasscrete*
3. *Lye Green Road - installation of a VAS*

4. *Lowndes Avenue - installation of a VAS*
5. *Missenden Road - installation of a VAS*
6. *Blackhorse Avenue - Grasscrete*
7. *Replacement of black finger signs in Chesham Town Centre to specified locations*
8. *10 x Grit Bins*

Members briefly discussed black barriers/fencing for the Market Square to protect the Culvert. The Clerk advised that the Environment Agency had indicated that it was proposing to undertake remedial work in the Market Square in 2012 so the need for long-term fencing should not be required. The Committee agreed that Buckinghamshire County Council should be informed of this but also that the Council would be keen to progress the fencing/barriers if Environment Agency repairs were not forthcoming.

It was

RESOLVED

that the priority given to the Delegated Budget bids be relayed to Buckinghamshire County Council.

104. **INFORMATION ITEM**

The item presented on the Information Sheet was received and noted.

105. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8.11pm

CHAIRMAN

CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING COMMENTS 16th APRIL 2012

1) **CH/12/0272/FA** **139 Hivings Hill Chesham** **ASHERIDGE VALE**

Description: Single storey side extension

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

2) **CH/12/0277/FA** **Hobbs Developments Ltd** **Land Adjacent to 96 UpperBelmont Road Chesham** **RIDGEWAY**

Description: Redevelopment of site to provide terrace of six dwellings

The Committee recommends **REFUSAL** on the grounds of overdevelopment and loss of light. The Committee is also concerned in regard to the loss of a reservoir in a period of sustained drought, the loss of an open space and the lack of parking. Moreover it is seeking assurances the recycling centre will be retained.

3) **CH/12/0300/FA** **57 The Broadway Chesham** **ST. MARY'S**

Description: Replacement Shopfront

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

4) **CH/12/0318/FA** **40 Bellingdon Road Chesham** **LOWNDES**

Description: Insertion of dormer window in rear elevation and rooflights in front and rear elevations.

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

5) **CH/12/0333/FA** **Mapletree Farm 106 Botley Road Chesham** **TOWNSEND**

Description: Detached Garage.

The Committee raises **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application but raises concern over highway safety and a potential restricted vision splay.

6) **CH/12/0334/SA** **7 Warrender Road Chesham** **HILLTOP**

Description: Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to the erection of a single storey side extension

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

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7) **CH/12/0343/FA** **33 Manor Way Chesham** **HILLTOP**

Description: Single storey rear extension with changes to openings.

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

8) **CH/12/0351/FA** **Botley House East Street Chesham** **ST. MARY'S**

Description: Change of use of existing office building (Use Class B1) to single residential dwelling (Use Class C3)

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

9) **CH/12/0352/HB** **Howard Scott** **44 High Street Chesham** **ST. MARY'S**

Description: Insertion of two replacement windows in rear elevation, installation of insulation to gable end and roof insulation

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

10) **CH/12/0363/SA** **329 Waterside Chesham** **WATERSIDE**

Description: Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to a single storey rear extension, conversion of garage into habitable accommodation, insertion of ground floor window in north east side elevation, alteration to windows in rear elevation and flue to north east side elevation.

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

11) **CH/12/0365/FA** **21 Hillcroft Road Chesham** **HILLTOP**

Description: Two storey rear extension and alterations to openings.

The Committee recommends **REFUSAL** on the grounds of it being overlooking and setting a precedent for a two storey building in a road consisting of bungalows. It also queries whether there is adequate off street parking space.

12) **CH/12/0387/FA** **2&4 Darvell Drive Chesham** **ASHERIDGE VALE**

Description: Single storey side extension, front and rear dormers to facilitate loft conversion, and alterations to fenestration in side elevation.

The Committee raises its concern on the unsightly nature of the proposed application and the precedent it would set for the street

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13) **CH/12/0413/SA** **4 Webb Cose Chesham** **LOWNDES**

Description: Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to the erection of a single storey side/rear extension.

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

14) **CH/12/0416/HB** **16 High Street Chesham** **ST. MARY'S**

Description: Non-illuminated fascia sign and projecting sign

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

15) **CH/12/0420/KA** **30 Pednorstead End Chesham** **ST. MARY'S**

Description: Height reduction of three Thuja trees within a Conservation Area

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

16) **CH/12/0429/AV** **102 The Broadway Chesham** **ST. MARY'S**

Description: Replacement signage scheme incorporating non-illuminated fascia sign, non-illuminated projecting sign and internally illuminated ATM sign (retrospective)

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

17) **CH/12/0435/FA** **Chesham Repair Centre** **22 Bellingdon Road Chesham** **LOWNDES**

Description: Change of use of part of existing building (Use Class B2) to allow MOT testing

The Committee raises **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application but raises concern on the loss of parking.

18) **CH/12/0448/FA** **Grasshoppers 114 Chartridge Lane Chesham** **LOWNDES**

Description: Single storey rear extension, changes to fenestration and installation of solar panels on rear roof slope.

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

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19) **CH/12/0460/SA**

14 Fullers Close Chesham

ST. MARY'S

Description: Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to the erection of a single storey rear extension and the creation of vehicular access and associated hardstanding.

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

20) **CH/12/0491/FA**

8 Gladstone Road Chesham

TOWNSEND

Description: Front and rear dormer windows to facilitate loft conversion.

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