

CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

held on Monday 5th November 2012

PRESENT Councillor Mrs P. R. Cherrill ó Chairman (presiding)

Councillor	V. M. Abraham	Councillor	Mrs C. Littley
"	A. K. Bacon	"	R. C. McCulloch
"	Miss R. K. Bhatti	"	Mrs A.M. Pirouet
"	T. Franks	"	M. W. Shaw
"	M. Fayyaz	"	C. H. Spruytenburg
"	P. J. Hudson	"	P. W. Yerrell
"	Mrs R. Juett		

Officer: W. Richards - Town Clerk

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors N. L. Brown, D. J. Lacey, Mrs C. M. Michael and F. S. Wilson.

57. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Mrs Pirouet declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application CH/12/1625/TP as a tenant of Paradigm Housing.

Councillor Mrs Pirouet declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 4 as a Member of Chiltern District Council's Planning Committee.

Councillor Mrs Pirouet declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 7 as Vice Chairman of Chiltern District Council's Housing and Planning Overview Committee.

58. **MINUTES**

It was

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on Monday 15th October 2012 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

59. **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.

60. **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.

61. **BUS SHELTERS IN CHESHAM**

The Committee was informed that, until recently, it had five bus shelters it owned and maintained directly. Of these, the ones in Berkhamstead Road and junction of Chartridge Lane and Berkeley Avenue were still in operation and used, while the one in Upper Belmont Road was somewhat redundant as buses now stopped on the other side of the road only. Two other shelters at Cresswell Road and Eskdale Avenue had recently been taken down, the former due to residents' requests and busses no longer serving the road and the latter because of health and safety concerns. The Clerk emphasised that the Council had no duty to provide shelters and that no specific monies for their repairs was put into annual budgets.

Members were largely of the view that the Council should at least try and facilitate some bus shelter provision in Eskdale Avenue in view of it being so closely located to the Grammar School. However it was noted that to purchase a like-for-like replacement would be in the region of £5,000-£7000 which Members agreed was somewhat unrealistic.

It was agreed that the best course of action would be to approach the company currently supplying the bus shelters on behalf of Buckinghamshire County Council in the Broadway, to ascertain whether it would be prepared to supply replacement shelters on behalf of this Council, to be paid for through advertising revenue and if such an approach is unsuccessful, to look at the situation again.

It was

RESOLVED

that the Clerk be requested to approach Buckinghamshire County Council and its current bus shelter supplier to ascertain the possibility of replacement shelters being provided on behalf of this Council at no cost.

62. **RESPONSE TO CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL'S DEVELOPMENT DELIVERY PLAN DOCUMENT CONSULTATION**

The Committee was presented with the recommendations of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party in respect to the consultation exercise being undertaken by Chiltern District Council on the current Development Delivery Plan Document (DDPD).

Members were agreed it was a full response accurately reflecting the aspirations of the Council in respect to its development and infrastructure and it was

RESOLVED

that the proposed response, as presented, be agreed as the Council's official submission to the Development Delivery Plan Document consultation.

63. **INFORMATION ITEM**

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

64. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 7.53pm.

CHAIRMAN

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1) **CH/12/1138/FA** **The Rose and Crown Public Houe, 264 Waterside Chesham** **WATERSIDE**

Description: Change of use of public house to create 6 flats, single storey front extension, part two storey, part first floor side extension, alterations to openings, laying of hardstanding and creation of new vehicular access

The Committee recommends **REFUSAL** on the grounds of overdevelopment, loss of a community facility and lack of appropriate on-street parking in the area.

2) **CH/12/1333/FA** **3 Little Hivings Chesham** **RIDGEWAY**

Description: Single storey front extension

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

3) **CH/12/1405/FA** **4 Lycrome Lane Chesham** **NEWTOWN**

Description: Single storey side extension, single storey front extension, widened vehicular access, laying of hardstanding and conversion of existing garage into habitable accommodation

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

4) **CH/12/1477/FA** **138 Botley Road Chesham** **TOWNSEND**

Description: Demolition of existing conservatory, erection of part two storey/part single storey rear extension, front dormer window, replacement pitched roof to existing front projection, conversion of garage to habitable room and alterations to fenestration.

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

5) **CH/12/1481/FA** **68 Lowndes Avenue Chesham** **LOWNDES**

Description: Single storey rear extension, construction of new outdoor terrace and alterations to existing openings.

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

6) **CH/12/1523/FA** **Land at Rear Of 2 - 6 Brockhurst Road Chesham** **NEWTOWN**

Description: Redevelopment of site to provide one detached dwelling with attached garage and laying of hardstanding

The Committee recommends **REFUSAL** on the grounds of loss of privacy and sunlight to neighbouring properties and traffic safety concerns for accessing Brockhurst Road.

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7) **CH/12/1527/OAE** **Land at 2,4 and 6 Hampden Avenue Chesham** **LOWNDES**

Description: Erection of three detached houses and garages (extension of time limit to planning permission CH/2009/1540/OAE)

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

8) **CH/12/1545/SA** **13 Chessmount Rise Chesham** **WATERSIDE**

Description: Application for a certificate of lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to the erection of a single storey rear extension

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

9) **CH/12/1546/AV** **Halifax PLC** **26 & 26A High Street Chesham** **ST. MARY'S**

Description: Replacement internally illuminated fascia sign, internally illuminated projecting sign, internally illuminated ATM surround and non-illuminated internal signage to window

The Committee requests the signage be externally rather than internally illuminated.

10) **CH/12/1555/SA** **6 Chessbury Road Chesham** **ST. MARY'S**

Description: Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to the construction of a rear dormer window

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

11) **CH/12/1557/FA** **105 Eskdale Avenue Chesham** **TOWNSEND**

Description: Two storey side/rear extension incorporating roof extension and alterations to existing fenestration

The Committee raises **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application but raises possible concern in respect of bulk and being in keeping with the existing street scene.

12) **CH/12/1570/FA** **Culwood House Residential Home, 130 Lye Green Road Chesham** **HILLTOP**

Description: Single storey rear extension, side dormer window and external staircase

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

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13) **CH/12/1573/FA** **2&4 Darvell Drive Chesham** **ASHERIDGE VALE**

Description: Conversion of roof space to provide additional flat, incorporating rear dormer windows, front rooflights, single storey side extension, new access and parking area, detached bicycle store and 1.8 metre perimeter fencing

The Committee recommends **REFUSAL** on the grounds of being out of keeping with the existing street scene; being overlooking and overbearing and loss of light for neighbouring properties.

14) **CH/12/1585/SA** **100 Vale Rise Chesham** **Vale**

Description: Detached garage and additional hardstanding to enlarge driveway

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

15) **CH/12/1625/TP** **Paradigm Housing** **21 Stanley Avenue Chesham** **LOWNDES**

Description: Reduction of branches of a sycamore tree overhanging Stanley Avenue and removal of low epicormic growth, tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order

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