

**CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES of the meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE**

held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015

**PRESENT** Councillor N.L. Brown - Chairman (presiding)

Councillor	A.K. Bacon	Councillor	Mrs J.E. MacBean
"	M.Z. Bhatti MBE	"	R.C. McCulloch
"	Q. Chaudhry	"	Mrs D.M. Varley
"	Miss E.A. Culverhouse	"	N. Varley
"	M. Fayyaz	"	B. R. Whitfield
"	A.W. Franks	"	F.S. Wilson
"	P. J. Hudson	"	P.W. Yerrell
"	D. MacBean		

**Officer:** W. Richards - Town Clerk

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D.J. Lacey, M.W. Shaw and S.P. Willmoth.

In attendance: Mr Tony Molesworth – Chairman of the Chesham Society

70. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Hudson declared an interest in planning application no. CH/15/2020/OA in respect to him living opposite to the property under consideration and left the Chamber during its consideration thereof.

Councillor Miss Culverhouse declared a pecuniary interest in planning application no. CH/15/2098/FA as the applicant and left the Chamber during its consideration thereof.

All other Members declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application no. CH/15/2098/FA with Councillor Miss Culverhouse being a fellow elected Member.

71. **MINUTES**

It was

**RESOLVED**

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2015 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

72. **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.

73. **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.

74. **APPEALS – 8-10 RED LION, CHESHAM (PLANNING APPLICATIONS CH/2015/0865/FA AND CH/2015/0930/HB)**

It was

**RESOLVED**

that the Committee supports the District Council in respect of both these Appeals.

75. **APPEAL – VICTORIA HOUSE, VICTORIA ROAD, CHESHAM.**

It was

**RESOLVED**

that the Committee supports the District Council in respect of this Appeal.

76. **COMMUNITY ASSET REGISTER**

The Committee considered the report from the Clerk in respect to adding buildings to the District Council's Community Asset Register. It was noted that part of the 'Community Right to Bid' section of the Localism Act gives a town or parish council or community group the right to bid for a facility listed as an Asset of Community Value if it is put up for sale. The previous Council had nominated buildings but, at the time Chiltern District Council had requested further information in respect to the buildings' respective community value but this had not been forthcoming.

Accordingly it was agreed that the individual ward Members should submit nominations to the Clerk with the necessary background information and that these nominations be brought back to this Committee for approval for submission at the end of January/early February.

77. **EMERGING LOCAL PLAN UPDATE**

The Chairman, Councillor Brown, reported that the Chesham Society was proposing to

undertake to distribute and collate a new questionnaire on the Local Plan and opined that it was important that the Council was involved as well. Members broadly agreed and Councillor Wilson advised that the Chiltern District Council Portfolio Holder for Planning and/or his officers were offering to visit town and parish councils with up-to-date information and a video.

Accordingly it was

**RESOLVED**

that Chiltern District Council Members and officers be invited to present to this Committee on the 4<sup>th</sup> January with a view to using this up-to-date information to assist the Chesham Society with further liaison with the public on the Local Plan.

78. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

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

79. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.

CHAIRMAN

## CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING COMMENTS 7 DECEMBER 2015

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1) **CH/2015/1724/FA** **140 Bellingdon Road Chesham** **LOWNDES**

**Description:** Single storey rear extension.

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

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2) **CH/2015/1955/FA** **Brymar White Hill Chesham** **TOWNSEND**

**Description:** Three dormer windows: two to the West elevation, one to the East elevation.

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

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3) **CH/2015/1985/FA** **59 - 61 The Broadway Chesham** **ST MARY'S**

**Description:** Redevelopment of rear part of building to include replacement mansard roof and conversion of upper floors to five residential flats, new shop front to existing ground floor retail unit.

The Committee has **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application, subject to there being no adverse effect on the Conservation Area.

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4) **CH/2015/2020/OA** **Inland Homes** **Springfield Road Industrial Estate Springfield Road** **WATERSIDE**

**Description:** Outline application for up to 62 residential units with associated access infrastructure and landscaping, refurbishment and retention of existing commercial units (Matters of access only to be considered at this stage).

The Committee supports the principle of the development but raises its concern on the restricted width of the highway for construction traffic; lack of visibility in respect to the vision splays and no indication that the lost parking spaces will be restored following the cessation of construction. In light of the concerns on highway safety, the Committee also recommends that a condition be imposed that construction traffic can only turn left from Springfield Road.

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5) **CH/2015/2024/FA** **Visao Ltd** **Unit 8 - 9 Esprit 17 Asheridge Road** **ASHERIDGE VALE**

**Description:** Change of use from offices (Use Class B1) to three residential units (Use Class C3).

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

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6) **CH/2015/2030/FA** **26 Ridgeway Road Chesham** **RIDGEWAY**

**Description:** Detached garage and store.

The Committee recommends **REFUSAL** of this application on the grounds that the previous refusals for refusal, namely bulk and size and vehicular movements at the rear of the garden affecting neighbours, have not been sufficiently overcome.

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7) **CH/2015/2033/SA** **35 Ridgeway Road Chesham** **RIDGEWAY**

**Description:** Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to the erection of a rear dormer and three front rooflights.

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

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8) **CH/2015/2035/FA** **c/o Bidwells LLP** **Field Acres Farm Fullers Hill Chesham** **ST MARY'S**

**Description:** Erection of agricultural building.

The Committee has **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application, subject to compliance to greenbelt regulations.

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9) **CH/2015/2048/FA** **29 Mount Nugent Chesham** **RIDGEWAY**

**Description:** New vehicular access with associated hardstanding and retaining wall.

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

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10) **CH/2015/2072/FA** **26 Lyndhurst Road Chesham** **RIDGEWAY**

**Description:** Two storey side extension with accommodation in roofspace, rear dormer construction, two front rooflights

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

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11) **CH/2015/2098/FA** **18 Upper Gladstone Road Chesham** **TOWNSEND**

**Description:** Single storey rear infill extension.

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

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12)	<b>CH/2015/2114/FA</b>	<b>3 Hodds Wood Road Chesham</b>	<b>WATERSIDE</b>
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**Description:** Two storey side extension.

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

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13)	<b>CH/2015/2116/FA</b>	<b>75 Nalders Road Chesham</b>	<b>HILLTOP</b>
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**Description:** Single storey side/rear extension to replace garage (amendment to planning permission CH/2015/1701/FA).

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

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14)	<b>CH/2015/2164/KA</b>	<b>Mitie Landscapes</b>	<b>Halifax Building Society 26 High Street Chesham</b>	<b>ST MARY'S</b>
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**Description:** Crown lifting of a tree within a Conservation Area.

The Committee has **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application, subject to the comments of the District Council's Tree Officer.

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