

CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE

held on Monday 4th December 2017

PRESENT: Councillor N.L. Brown – Chairman (presiding)

Councillor	A.K. Bacon	Councillor	Mrs J.E. MacBean.
"	Miss E.A. Culverhouse	"	R.C. McCulloch
"	A.W. Franks	"	P.W. Yerrell
"	P.J. Hudson		

Officer: W. Richards – Town Clerk.

In attendance: Councillor F.S. Wilson

An Apology for absence was received from Councillor Mrs D.M.Varley.

74. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest that were brought to the Chairman's notice.

75. **MINUTES**

It was

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on Monday 6th November 2017 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

76. **CHESHAM & DISTRICT TRANSPORT USERS' GROUP**

Members received the Minutes of the meeting of the Chesham & District Transport Users' Group of the 31st October 2017.

It was

RESOLVED

that the Minutes be noted.

Note: Councillor Wilson arrived at the meeting at 7.37pm.

77. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee considered planning applications received from Chiltern District Council since the last meeting of the Planning 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 Planning Committee as set out on the attached schedule.

79. **AFFINITY WATER DRAFT MANAGEMENT PLAN CONSULTATION**

The Committee considered Affinity Water's response to the Council's comments submitted as part of the consultation process in respect to Affinity Water's draft Management Plan.

While Councillor Mrs MacBean opined that Affinity appeared much more receptive to partnership working, there was a general consensus that it was disappointing that the company's 'drought trigger zones' were based on its three company regions and not on different catchments particularly since the River Chess appeared to be suffering more acute problems in respect to lack of water than the rest of its catchment area. It was agreed therefore that officers be requested to articulate this in a further response to Affinity Water.

80. **APPEAL – LAND TO REAR OF 206-208 CHARTRIDGE LANE**

It was

RESOLVED

that the Council support the District Council in respect of this Appeal.

81. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

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

82. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8.04pm.

CHAIRMAN

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1) **CH/2017/1826/FA** **78 Gladstone Road Chesham** **TOWNSEND**

Description: Vehicular access and hardstanding for two cars.

The Committee welcomes this application as a measure to alleviate on-street parking pressures in the town centre.

2) **CH/2017/1904/FA** **13 Culverhouse Way Chesham** **NEWTOWN**

Description: Single storey rear extension.

The Committee has no comments in respect to this application.

3) **CH/2017/1906/FA** **5 Barnes Avenue Chesham** **TOWNSEND**

Description: Single storey rear extension.

The Committee has no comments in respect to this application.

4) **CH/2017/1844/HB** **Sterling Rose** **Lords Mill Moor Road Chesham** **WATERSIDE**

Description: The restoration and refurbishment of the grade II listed building with the removal of later accretions to the rear to facilitate the conversion of the existing dwellings into 6 no. residential dwellings and B1 office suite. New vehicular access from Moor

The Committee supports the principle of this application and note the offer of the provision of a pedestrian crossing which would be welcomed. The Committee also believes the ownership of the land needs further clarification.

5) **CH/2017/1873/FA** **13 Milton Road Chesham** **VALE**

Description: Single storey rear extensions on both lower and ground floor , erection of porch, creation of new vehicular access and hardstanding.

The Committee has no comments in respect to this application.

6) **CH/2017/1916/FA** **Palladium Developments Ltd** **12-14 High Street Chesham** **ST MARY'S**

Description: Change of use of part ground floor from financial and professional services (Use Class A2) to dwellinghouses (Use Class C3) comprising 1 one bed flat , change of use of first floor from financial and professional services (Use Class A2) to dwellinghouses.

The Committee recommends **REFUSAL** of this application as it is out of keeping with the existing street scene and visually obtrusive in the conservation area. Moreover the Committee would query the viability and sustainability of such a retail outlet.

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7) **CH/2017/1945/FA** **17 Ashfield Road Chesham** **HILLTOP**

Description: Entrance porch

The Committee has no comments in respect to this application.

8) **CH/2017/1950/SA** **3 Brushwood Road Chesham** **HILLTOP**

Description: Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to demolition of existing detached garage and erection of single storey side extension including fenestration alterations.

The Committee has no additional information in respect to this application.

9) **CH/2017/1959/FA** **Simco Homes Ltd** **Land to rear of 206-208 Chartridge Lane Chesham** **LOWNDES**

Description: Redevelopment of site comprising 5 dwellings (4 with integral garages), associated hard landscaping , parking and creation of vehicular access.

The Committee recommends **REFUSAL** of this application on the grounds of overdevelopment; being visually obtrusive to views across Pednor Valley and a build-up right up to the boundary line adjacent to AONB and Green Belt land.

10) **CH/2017/1987/FA** **22 Germain Street Chesham** **ST MARY'S**

Description: Demolish existing single storey rear extension and replace with new single storey rear extension, convert existing outbuilding to habitable incorporating raised eaves height.

The Committee has no comments in respect to this application.

11) **CH/2017/1988/KA** **Transport for Buckinghamshire** **Land in front of United Reformed Church Chesham** **ST MARY'S**

Description: Crown reduction of a London plane within a Conservation Area.

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

12) **CH/2017/1972/FA** **242 Berkhamstead Road Chesham** **NEWTOWN**

Description: Part single storey part two storey rear extension and rear dormer.

The Committee has no comments in respect to this application.

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13)	CH/2017/2033/TP	16 Ashfield Road Chesham	HILLTOP
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Description: Removal of epicormic growth from an oak tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order.

The Committee has no comments in respect to this application.

14)	CH/2017/1859/AV	Collectors Paradise 42 High Street Chesham	ST MARY'S
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Description: Application for a non illuminating non protruding replacement two dimensional fascia sign fixed to the existing mounting board.

The Committee raises **NO OBJECTIONS** to the application subject to it confirming to regulations pertaining to the conservation area. For information, it should be noted it is no longer 'Collectors Paradise'.

15)	CH/2017/1862/FA	Nashleigh Farm Ashley Green Road Chesham	NEWTOWN
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Description: Construction of a tennis court with perimeter fencing.

The Committee has no comments in respect to this application.

16)	CH/2017/1918/SA	20 Springfield Road Chesham	WATERSIDE
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Description: Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to replacement of a flat to pitched side roof.

The Committee has no additional information in respect to this application.

17)	CH/2017/1924/FA	53 Kirtle Road Chesham	TOWNSEND
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Description: Creation of driveway and hardstanding with a new vehicular access via dropped kerb, retaining walls access steps and landscaping.

The Committee has no comments in respect to this application.

18)	CH/2017/2007/SA	17 Long Meadow Chesham	VALE
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Description: Application for a Certificate for a proposed operation relating to the erection of a rear dormer structure to facilitate habitable accommodation in roofspace

The Committee has no additional information in respect to this application.
