

AMERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
THE PLANNING AND FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE
HELD ON MONDAY 15th DECEMBER 2014

PRESENT: Councillor H Newton (Chair)
Councillor Mrs A Lamont
Councillor A Emmett (from 7.47pm)
Councillor M Phillips

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs E Richardson – Deputy Town Clerk
12 Members of the public

83. APOLOGIES: Councillor Mrs L Walsh (Mayor)
Councillor Mrs D Allen
Councillor M Lacey
Councillor A Williams

84. ABSENT NO APOLOGIES: Cllr N Shepherd

85. MINUTES:

It was Proposed – Councillor M Phillips
Seconded – Councillor Mrs A Lamont

RESOLVED

The Minutes of the Planning and Footpaths Committee meeting held on 1st December 2014 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

86. MATTERS ARISING:

The Deputy Town Clerk reported that a letter had been written to Gary Grant requesting an update on the status of the vacant shop (old site of The Entertainer) on Hill Avenue, but so far no response had been received. *Post-meeting note – a response from Mr Grant has been received and states that the vacant premises at 63-65 Hill Avenue “will be occupied during 2015. The delay in finding occupants was, in part due to the vagaries of the planning process”.*

87. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: There were no declarations of interest.

88. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS:

(i) Formal Consultation on Proposed Pay & Display Parking, Whielden Street, Amersham

Members heard comments from the residents and business owners in attendance, concerning the proposed addition of pay & display parking spaces on Whielden Street. As it was felt that the documentation from Bucks CC was unclear on the number of free spaces to be lost, Cllr Phillips offered to request clarification from Bucks CC. It was agreed that if there will

be approximately 20 lost free spaces, as residents believe is the case, then the Town Council would be opposed to the proposal as it would cause significant disruption to residents of Whielden Street and would probably have a “knock-on” effect elsewhere in Amersham Old Town. It was also agreed that final comments for submission will be decided at the next Planning Meeting on 19th January 2015. Meanwhile, the Deputy Town Clerk will request an extension on the time limit for submission of comments.

89. CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS:

There were no matters for discussion.

90. MATTERS FOR REPORT:

(i) Appeals

CH/2014/1602/VRC – Beaully Cottage, 18 Weedon Lane Amersham – Variation of Condition 7 of planning permission CH/2014/1035/FA to allow single storey front extension incorporating garage - **Appeal lodged.**

(ii) Tree Preservation Order

Councillors were informed of a Tree Preservation Order having been made by Chiltern District Council on land at Springett Place Amersham.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: LISTS DATED 28th NOVEMBER & 5TH DECEMBER (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED APPENDIX I)

The Meeting closed at 8.40pm

..... Chairman Date

CH/2014/2047/FA	26 Briery Way Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6AT	Part two storey, part first floor side extension and front porch	<u>No objection (15.12.14.)</u>
CH/2014/2023/FA	2 Sycamore Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5DR	Ground floor infill extension, fenestration alterations.	<u>No comment (15.12.14.)</u>
CH/2014/2020/FA	18 Pineapple Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9JN	Part two storey, part single storey side and rear extension	<u>No comment (15.12.14.)</u> However, Members have concerns about there being adequate parking.
CH/2014/2011/FA	12 Scholars Way Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6UN	Part two storey, part single storey rear extension	<u>No objection (15.12.14.)</u>
CH/2014/2004/FA	Ruskins 44 Green Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6AR	Rear conservatory	<u>No comment (15.12.14.)</u>
CH/2014/2001/FA	Balgown 12 Willow Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9DW	Single storey side/rear and roof extensions incorporating the insertion of five dormer windows to serve habitable accommodation within the roof space, fenestration alteration and new retaining walls to facilitate raised patio	<u>No comment (15.12.14.)</u>
CH/2014/1996/FA	8 Market Square Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0DQ	Change of use from retail (Use Class A1) to financial and professional services (Use Class A2)	<u>No objection (15.12.14.)</u>
CH/2014/1989/FA	Avondale 45 Longfield Drive Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5HE	Part single storey, part two storey front/side/rear extensions	<u>No objection (15.12.14.)</u>
CH/2014/2186/PNE	3 Little Reeves Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9JA	Single storey rear extension 4.2 metres beyond the existing rear wall of original dwelling	<u>No comment (15.12.14.)</u>
CH/2014/2053/FA	5 Highland Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9AP	Part single storey / Part two storey front side rear extension.	<u>Discussed (15.12.14.)</u> Members consider the proposed roof design to be out of keeping in the street scene.

CH/2014/2031/FA	Ivy Dene 30 Orchard Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5AA	First floor rear/side extension.	<u>No objection (15.12.14.)</u>
CH/2014/2012/FA	36 The Drive Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9AD	Two storey side/single storey rear extension.	<u>No objection (15.12.14.)</u>
CH/2014/1961/FA	Crofters 14 Mill Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0EH	Roof alterations to create first floor and alterations to fenestration	<u>Recommend refusal (15.12.14.)</u> The design is considered to be unattractive and out of keeping in the street scene