

AMERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
THE PLANNING AND FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE
HELD ON MONDAY 23rd MARCH 2015

PRESENT: Councillor H Newton (Chair)
Councillor Mrs A Lamont
Councillor Mrs D Allen
Councillor M Lacey

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs E Richardson – Deputy Town Clerk

116. APOLOGIES: Councillor Mrs L Walsh (Mayor)
Councillor A Williams

117. ABSENT NO APOLOGIES: Councillor A Emmett
Councillor M Phillips
Councillor N Shepherd

118. MINUTES:

It was Proposed – Councillor H Newton
Seconded – Councillor Mrs A Lamont

RESOLVED

The Minutes of the Planning and Footpaths Committee meeting held on 2nd March 2015 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

119. MATTERS ARISING:

(i) Road name for new development at Lincoln Park

It was noted that after further discussion between the District Council and the developer, the road name for the new development at Lincoln Park will be 'Abrahams Close'.

(ii) Planning Application No. CH/2015/0222/FA – 34 Black Acre Close, Amersham

Members were informed of the applicant's request for further information on the Town Council's recommendation to refuse this application, especially compared with another similar application in Quarrendon Road, to which the Town Council had no objection. After re-examining both applications, Councillors saw no reason to vary their previous comments as they felt that despite the proposals being similar, the plot sizes and character of both vicinities are considered to be entirely different. These comments will be forwarded to the applicant.

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

121. CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS:

There were no matters for discussion.

122. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS:

(i) Buckinghamshire Replacement Minerals & Waste Local Plan Consultation

After discussion, it was agreed that the response formulated by the working group should be forwarded to Bucks County Council without variation. Cllr Lamont and Cllr Allen were thanked for their efforts in drawing up the comments.

123. Pre-application consultation on proposed upgrade of existing Vodafone radio base station at Amersham Fire Station

Members were informed of the pre-application consultation on the proposed upgraded equipment at the site. Although information on the dimensions of the equipment had been requested from the agent, no information had been received, so Members were unable to comment.

124. MATTERS FOR REPORT:

(i) Planning Appeals

CH/2014/2034/TP – 2 Hyrons Lane Amersham – Felling of an oak tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order – **Appeal lodged.**

CH/2014/2001/FA – Balgown 12 Willow Wood Amersham – Single storey side/rear and roof extensions incorporating the insertion of five dormer windows to serve habitable accommodation within the roof space, and new retaining walls to facilitate raised patio – **Appeal lodged.**

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: LISTS DATED 27th FEBRUARY & 13th MARCH (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED APPENDIX I)

The Meeting closed at 8.50pm

..... Chairman Date

CH/2015/0332/HB	58 High Street Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0DS	Single storey rear extension	<u>No comment (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0331/FA	58 High Street Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0DS	Single storey rear extension	<u>No comment (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0317/FA	36 Orchard End Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9JP	Single storey rear extension, three dormer windows, juliet balcony and seven rooflights, conversion of garage to habitable accommodation, fenestration alterations	<u>Recommend refusal (23.03.15.)</u> Members consider the design to be unattractive which would not enhance the area.
CH/2015/0311/FA	5 Copperkins Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5QB	Single storey rear extension	<u>No comment (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0313/SA	21 Chestnut Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6EQ	Rear dormer structure , two roof dormers to front, gable fenestration to create habitable accommodation in the roofspace	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0319/KA	66 Woodside Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6AN	Felling of a cypress within a Conservation Area	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u> Refer to Tree Officer
CH/2015/0301/FA	33 Piggotts End Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0JF	Raised rear terrace and stepped access	<u>No comment (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0298/FA	Briarwood 4 Mitchell Walk Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6NN	Part two storey part single storey rear/side extension, fenestration alterations	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0292/FA	36 The Drive Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9AD	Two storey side/single storey rear extension.	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0304/AV	Chalfont Court Hill Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5BD	One externally illuminated fascia sign	<u>No comment (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0296/TP	1 Winchester Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9HT	Felling of a horse chestnut and reduction of side branches of a horse chestnut - both trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0283/FA	Crofters 14 Mill Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0EH	First floor extension and new roof to create two storey dwelling	<u>Recommend refusal (23.03.15.)</u> Whilst Members have no objection in principle to the proposed extension, they feel the overall appearance would be out of keeping in the vicinity.

CH/2015/0272/FA	137 Woodside Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6NJ	Part two storey part single storey rear extension, part two storey part single storey front extension, fenestration alterations.	<u>Recommend refusal (23.03.15.)</u> Members consider the proposals to be an overdevelopment of the site, given the size of the existing dwelling.
CH/2015/0265/FA	Sycamore House 1 Woodside Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6AA	Change of use of first and second floor gymnasium (Use Class D2) to provide eight apartments (5x2 bed, 3x1 bed), extension to enclose stairwell, first floor/second floor rear extension and new balconies and associated parking	<u>Recommend refusal (23.03.15.)</u> Members would reiterate their comments from the previous application – that whilst they are supportive in principle of the change of use to residential accommodation, they regard the proposed 8 flats to be too small. They also have concerns about the adequacy of on-site parking to service 8 flats.
CH/2015/0263/FA	Glendale Cottage 21 Chiltern Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5AE	Change of use part residential dwelling (Class C3) to create two consulting rooms (Class D1)	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u> Members have no objection to the proposed change of use but would concur with the neighbours' request that this be limited to the duration of the current ownership of the property.
CH/2015/0244/FA	5 Highland Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9AP	Part two storey part single storey front/side/rear extension, alterations to vehicular access	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0230/FA	Newlands 40 Woodside Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5EF	Single storey side/rear extension, single storey front extension and single storey side extension	<u>No comment (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2014/2274/FA	Amersham and Wycombe College Amersham Campus Stanley Hill Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9HN	Development of an all weather pitch, erection of a clubhouse, floodlights and fencing.	<u>Discussed (23.13.15.)</u> Members feel the proposals would be detrimental to other existing users of the land as a much valued open space.
CH/2015/0456/KA	28 Elm Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5DD	Crown reduction of a Norway maple tree within a Conservation Area	<u>No comment (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0405/AGN	Horton and Co Livestock Limited Raans Farm Raans Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6JP	Agricultural barn	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u>

CH/2015/0396/FA	9 West Acres Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9BY	Two storey rear extension	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0399/TP	Trevone 24 Highland Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9AX	Crown reduction, crown thinning and crown lifting of a maple tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order	<u>No comment (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0383/FA	11 First Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9BJ	Single storey side extension	<u>No comment (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0386/FA	Dukeholme 11A Mitchell Walk Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6NW	Part two storey part single storey rear extension	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0356/FA	24 Stanley Hill Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9BD	First floor rear extension with two rooflights, single storey front extension, garden room to rear	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u>
CH/2015/0299/FA	Cornerstone 9 Chiltern Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5AE	Part two storey part single storey front extension, increased roof height to create two storey building, fenestration alterations	<u>No objection (23.03.15.)</u>