AMERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF **THE PLANNING AND FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE** HELD ON MONDAY 19^{TH} SEPTEMBER 2016

PRESENT: Councillor M Vivis (Town Mayor)

Councillor C Morgan (Deputy Town Mayor)

Councillor Mrs A Lamont Councillor Ms C Jones Councillor N Shepherd

Councillor Mrs D Kenchington

Councillor M Lacey

IN ATTENDANCE:

Miss Z Richardson – Administration Officer

38. APOLOGIES: Councillor Mrs J Cook

Councillor R Jones Councillor M Phillips Councillor H Newton

39. MINUTES:

It was Proposed – Councillor M Vivis

Seconded – Councillor C Morgan

RESOLVED

The Minutes of the Planning and Footpaths Committee meeting held on 22 August 2016 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. (In the absence of the Chairman & Deputy Chairman, the minutes were signed by Councillor M Vivis, Mayor of Amersham)

40. MATTERS ARISING:

Prior to the meeting, the Town Clerk, Mrs. E Richardson had asked that the Committee be informed that no further correspondence or contact had been received from the resident of Devonshire Avenue.

41. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Councillor C Morgan declared an interest in CH/2016/1399/FA Evenlode 58 Orchard Lane, Amersham.

Councillor M Vivis declared an interest in CH/2016/1539/FA First Floor Suite 2 Merritt House Hill Avenue, Amersham.

42. CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS:

There were no matters for discussion.

43. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS:

a) BCC Planning Application No. CM/41/16 at Council Depot, London Road East, Amersham. Proposal: To replace the existing open air dry recycling waste bay with a fully covered light weight

alternative, to contain any rubbish that may be caught by the wind, to keep it dry and to enhance the aesthetics of the site.

This application was discussed by Councillors and although they were supportive of the application, there was some concern over the intensification of the sensitive site. Moreover, it was hoped that the construction would be able to blend in with the natural surroundings.

Prior to the meeting, the Town Clerk, Mrs. E. Richardson had asked that the Committee be reminded of the BCC Parking Restriction consultation which was circulated to all on 15th September. The Town Clerk, had been able to obtain dispensation from BCC to submit comments on 11th October (after the 10th October Planning Meeting). It was suggested that a working group be set up to take a close look at this. It was AGREED that Miss Z Richardson would re-send the relevant information to all members of the Planning Committee so that they can discuss who would like to be involved in the working group. Both Councillor C Morgan & Councillor N Shepherd both expressed that they would like to be involved in the working group.

44. MATTERS FOR REPORT:

There were no matters for report.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: LISTS DATED 19th & 26th AUGUST, 2nd & 9th SEPTEMBER (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED APPENDIX I)

The Meeting closed at 9.15pm

 Date

CH/2016/1531/KA	Chalfonts Way Filling Station 68 White Lion Road Amersham	Work to trees within a Conservation Area	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1507/FA	Halstan and Company Ltd 2 - 10 Plantation Road Amersham	Installation of solar PV panels on roofspace (Retrospective)	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1506/FA	4 Butlers Close Amersham	Single storey front and side/rear extensions	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1480/FA	7 Station Road Amersham	Single storey rear extension.	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1490/FA	Quaint Cottage 38 First Avenue Amersham	Part single/part two storey rear and two storey front extensions	No Objection (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1427/FA	The Chequers Public House 51 London Road West Amersham	Development of scrub land to form pub garden including engineering works to form retaining walls	No Objection (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1448/KA	Three Gables Rectory Hill Amersham	Crown reduction of three limes, two hazels and a western red cedar - all trees within a Conservation Area	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1238/FA	28 Stanley Hill Avenue Amersham	Conversion of existing integral garage to habitable accommodation, construction of new side double length garage extension with first floor storage/office above and fenestration alterations	No Objection (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1363/HB	Ambers Of Amersham The Mill Stream 49 London Road West Amersham	Replacement 6 No casement windows	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1399/FA	Evenlode 58 Orchard Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5AA	First floor and roof extension to facilitate extended first and creation of second floor accommodation incorporating side dormer windows and roof lights, single storey side extension	Discussed (19.09.2016) ATC members felt that this application had an inappropriate design as well as being overdevelopment of the site and an excessive use of dormers.

CH/2016/1512/FA	Lexham House 14A Hill Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5BW	New electricity sub-station	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1538/FA	28 New Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6LD	Part two storey, part single storey west	No Objection (19.09.2016)
		elevation extension, fenestration	
		alterations.	

CH/2016/1611/FA	Martingale 8 Westanley Avenue Amersham	Two storey rear extension and fenestration alterations	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1603/FA	The Wheelhouse Veterinary Surgery 1 Woodside Close Amersham	Two storey extension to the north west elevation, single storey extension to the north east elevation and revised parking layout.	No Comment (19.09.2016) After much discussion with some Councillors for and some against the proposals, it was agreed to submit no comment to CDC
CH/2016/1591/TP	10 Charter Drive Amersham	Felling of a horse chestnut tree - protected by a Tree Preservation Order	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1575/FA	59 Grimsdells Lane Amersham	Two storey rear extension and fenestration alterations.	Discussed (19.09.2016) ATC members had concerns over the impact of light on no. 61 and the subsequent amenity space.
CH/2016/1547/FA	53 Station Road Amersham	Single storey front and first floor side extensions and fenestration alterations.	Discussed (19.09.2016) Whilst ATC members had no objection to the application, there were concerns over the lack of space for waste receptacles.
CH/2016/1549/FA	25 Station Road Amersham	Single storey rear extension.	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1544/FA	5 Hyrons Close Amersham	Single storey rear and first floor side/rear extensions.	No Objection (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1533/FA	Century House London Road West Amersham	Change of use from Offices (Use Class B1) to a mixed use comprising Offices and Non-residential Institution (Use Classes B1 and D1) (to allow provision of mental health therapy services)	Discussed (19.09.2016) Whilst members were supportive of the application, there were concerns regarding parking and subsequent congestion of the local area.
CH/2016/1462/FA	12 & 13 Little Reeves Avenue Amersham	Single storey side/rear extensions to both Nos. 12 and 13, part conversion of garage at No 12 and single storey front extension to No. 13	Discussed (19.09.2016) ATC members had concerns over the loss of two garages and how this could have the potential for increased congestion.

CH/2016/1539/FA	First Floor Suite 2 Merritt House Hill Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5BQ	Change of use from Offices (Use class B1) to Education Centre (Use class D1) (retrospective)	Discussed (19.09.2016) Although ATC members had No Objection to the application, there were concerns regarding parking.
CH/2016/1569/FA	23 Chequers Hill Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9DQ	Part first floor and single storey rear extensions	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1642/FA	30 Sheepfold Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9EL	Two storey and single storey front/side/rear extensions and fenestration alterations	Discussed (19.09.2016) ATC members expressed concerns over the proposed design integrity of the front plan.
CH/2016/1632/TP	1 Birch Gardens Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9TH	Crown reduction and crown lifting of an oak tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order	No Comment (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1622/FA	The Cartwheel Bungalow London Road East Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9DT	Two storey front extension, increased roof ridge height to facilitate second floor accommodation, juliet balcony to rear and fenestration alterations	Discussed (19.09.2016) ATC members were concerned that this application was overdevelopment of the site and out of context with the area.
CH/2016/1620/FA	19 Longwood Lane Amersham Buc3 Canterbury Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9HA Buckinghamshire HP7 9EN	Two storey rear extension, single storey side extension, replacement of existing porch and fenestration alterations.	No Objection (19.09.2016)
CH/2016/1607/FA	3 Canterbury Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9HA	Widening of existing vehicular crossover	No Comment (19.09.2016)