

AMERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
THE PLANNING AND FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE
HELD ON MONDAY 24 APRIL 2017

PRESENT:

Councillor N Shepherd (Acting Chair)
Councillor M Grimson
Councillor Mrs. A Lamont
Councillor M Lacey
Councillor Mrs. D Kenchington

IN ATTENDANCE:

Miss Z Richardson – Administration Officer
Mr. Andrew Coles – Amersham Society (Part Meeting)

106. APOLOGIES:

Councillor H Newton (Chairman)
Councillor Mrs. J Cook (Deputy Chair)
Councillor M Vivis (Town Mayor)
Councillor C Morgan (Deputy Town Mayor)
Councillor Ms. C Jones
Councillor R Jones

OPEN SESSION:

Andrew Coles of the Amersham Society addressed the Committee regarding the forthcoming Appeal Hearing for possible development at the former B & M Motors site at 59 - 61 Broadway Amersham.

107. MINUTES:

It was Proposed – Councillor N Shepherd
Seconded – Councillor Mrs D Kenchington

RESOLVED

The Minutes of the Planning and Footpaths Committee meeting held on 27 March 2017 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

108. MATTERS ARISING:

There were no matters arising.

109. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

As a next door neighbour, Councillor M Lacey declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application CH/2017/0561/FA - The Croft, 5 Shortway, Amersham.

As a close neighbour, Councillor N Shepherd declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application nos. CH/2017/0538/FA – 54 First Avenue, Amersham & CH/2017/0539/FA – 55 First Avenue, Amersham

110. CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS:

Members discussed the questionnaire regarding the CDC PSPO Consultation (Dog Controls and Anti-Social drinking in Public Spaces). ZR suggested that the Committee complete the survey at the time of discussion, which Members agreed to, and the completed survey was submitted via the online link previously provided by Chiltern District Council.

111. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS:

There were no Buckinghamshire County Council Matters.

112. MATTERS FOR REPORT:

ZR informed Members that the Engagement Manager from HS2 Limited, Mr. Luke Nipen had confirmed that he will be attending the next Planning & Footpaths Committee meeting on Monday 22nd May 2017 at 7.30pm along with a member of the Construction Team. Mr. Nipen will be providing the Committee with the latest information regarding the HS2 Development.

ZR also informed Members that following discussion with Mr. S. Catanach (Town Clerk – Community Services), Mr. Simon Whitton of Affinity Water will be attending the Planning & Footpaths Committee meeting on Monday 12th June 2017 at 7.30pm. Mr. Whitton will be attending the meeting to inform Members of Affinity Water’s collaboration with the Environment Agency in making improvements to the River Misbourne.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: LISTS DATED 24 MARCH, 31 MARCH, 7 APRIL & 14 APRIL 2017 (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED - APPENDIX I)

The Meeting closed at 9.10pm

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CH/2017/0446/FA	The Cartwheel Bungalow London Road East Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9DT	Oak framed and clad two storey triple garage to front	<u>No Objection – 24.04.2017</u>
CH/2017/0472/FA	88 Woodside Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6AN	Single storey side rear extension, conversion of garage to habitable accommodation, infill of existing porch (amendment to approved planning permission CH/2016/0586/FA)	<u>No Comment – 24.04.2017</u>
CH/2017/0473/FA	Harwinton 21 Longfield Drive Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5HD	Single storey rear extension	<u>No Comment – 24.04.2017</u>
CH/2017/0475/FA	Heathlands 7 Weedon Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5QS	Replacement of conservatory with garden room	<u>No Comment – 24.04.2017</u>
CH/2017/0504/FA	Yew Tree House Grimsdells Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6HE	Erection of summerhouse to rear garden	<u>No Comment – 24.04.2017</u>
CH/2017/0513/KA	Town Mill 191 High Street Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0EQ	Removal of a yew and a holly within a Conservation Area	<u>No Comment – 24.04.2017</u>

CH/2017/0488/FA	12 The Broadway Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0HP	Alterations to outbuilding known as The Barn, including new timber cladding and insulation, replacement of external escape stair, addition of new conservatory, change of use from residential (Use Class C3) to restaurant (Use Class A3).	<u>No Objection – 24.04.2017</u>
CH/2017/0489/HB	12 The Broadway Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0HP	Alterations to outbuilding known as The Barn, including new timber cladding and insulation, replacement of external escape stair, addition of new conservatory, to facilitate change of use from residential (Use Class C3) to restaurant (Use Class A3).	<u>No Comment – 24.04.2017</u>
CH/2017/0497/FA	Land Rear Of 31 Hill Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5BX	Erection of two storey building comprising two residential units	<u>Discussed – 24.04.2017</u> Members had concerns regarding the lack of waste storage facilities and insufficient parking. Members also wanted to note that they found it difficult to comment on this application due to the lack of adequate plans.
CH/2017/0538/FA	54 First Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9BJ	Part single part two storey rear extension and associated hard landscaping	<u>No Objection – 24.04.2017</u> As a close neighbour, Cllr. N Shepherd declared a non-pecuniary interest in this application.
CH/2017/0539/FA	55 First Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9BJ	Part single part two storey rear extension and associated hard landscaping	<u>No Objection – 24.04.2017</u> As a close neighbour, Cllr. N Shepherd declared a non-pecuniary interest in this application.

CH/2017/0455/FA	The Pheasant Public House 35 Plantation Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6HL	Erection of five residential units, renovation and conversion of grade II listed former public house to provide a sixth residential unit and day nursery facility, associated landscaping, access and parking.	<u>No Objection – 24.04.2017</u>
CH/2017/0564/FA	Summerlands 17 South Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5LX	Demolition of existing garage and erection of two storey detached dwelling	<u>Recommend Refusal – 24.04.2017</u> Members have concerns over the size of the amenity space being below planning policy requirements. Car Parking spaces are shown on the application as being in tandem, which Members believe will contribute to the current parking congestion in South Road and Lexham Gardens. Furthermore, Members have concerns on how this will impact neighbouring properties.
CH/2017/0561/FA	The Croft 5 Shortway Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6AQ	Creation of new part basement area under part of existing house and creation of new light well to front.	<u>No Objection – 24.04.2017</u> As a next door neighbour, Cllr. M Lacey declared a non-pecuniary interest in this application.

CH/2017/0584/FA	Land at School Lane & Rectory Hill Amersham Buckinghamshire	Construction of a new single storey band hall, creation of new vehicular and pedestrian gated accesses from Rectory Hill with associated parking and landscaping.	<u>No Objection – 24.04.2017</u> Members wanted to note that they are very supportive of this application. Whilst they accept that permitting this application will result in the loss of green belt land, this is outweighed by the development of a much needed community asset.
CH/2017/0590/FA	28 Chestnut Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6EQ	Single storey front extension link to garage	<u>No Comment – 24.04.2017</u>
CH/2017/0593/FA	52 New Road Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6LH	Part single part two storey front/side/rear extensions incorporating new roof over existing rear extension	<u>No Objection – 24.04.2017</u>