

AMERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
THE PLANNING AND FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE
HELD ON 20 MAY 2019

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs J Cook (Chair & Deputy Town Mayor)
Councillor Mrs B Dhanda
Councillor N Shepherd
Councillor C Morgan

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs E Richardson – Town Clerk Finance & Policy
One member of the public

1. APOLOGIES: Councillor M Flys (Town Mayor)
Councillor C Jones
Councillor A Lamont
Councillor A Seymour

2. ABSENT NO APOLOGIES: Councillor R Jones
Councillor Mrs D Kenchington
Councillor H Newton

3. MINUTES:

Approval of the minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 29 April was deferred until the next meeting.

4. MATTERS ARISING:
There were no matters arising.

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

6. OPEN SESSION:
Members heard the comments from an Amersham resident on Planning Application 19/1299/FA Green Park Copperkins Lane.

7. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLORS:
It was Proposed – Councillor Mrs J Cook
Seconded – Councillor N Shepherd

AGREED that Councillor Mrs B Dhanda and Councillor C Morgan be co-opted onto the Committee for the duration of the meeting until the formation of committees is agreed at the next Council meeting.

8. CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS:
Councillor Morgan reported that he had met Martin Pounce who had concerns about youth provision at the proposed Chiltern Life Centre.

9. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS:

There were no matters for report.

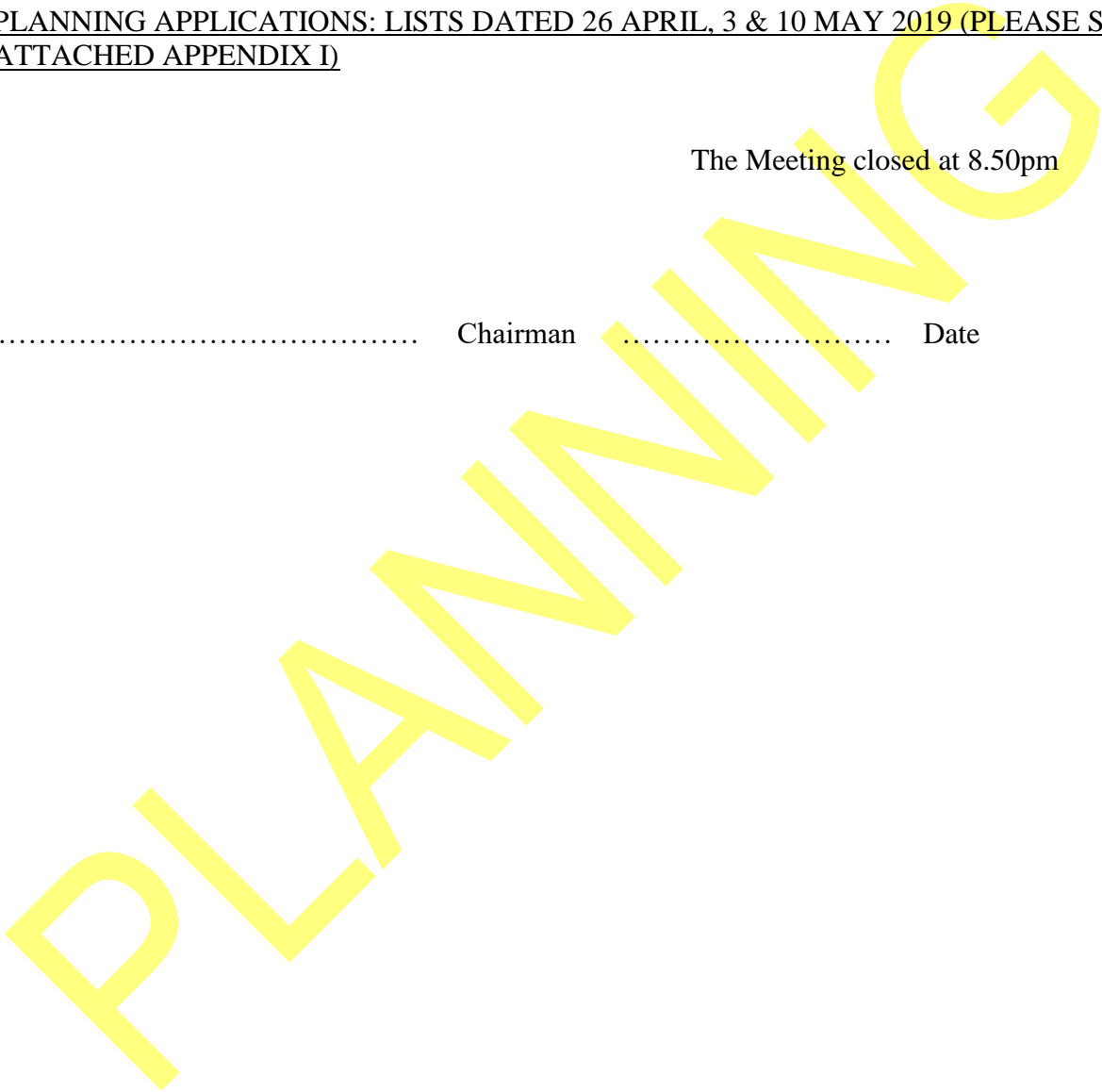
10. MATTERS FOR REPORT:

The Clerk reported that she had received a complaint from a resident about the tables and chairs positioned outside the Metro Lounge restaurant in Hill Avenue. Members saw no reason to object, as they considered the tables and chairs did not appear to cause an obstruction on the pavement and felt they improved the ambiance of the town.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: LISTS DATED 26 APRIL, 3 & 10 MAY 2019 (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED APPENDIX I)

The Meeting closed at 8.50pm

..... Chairman Date



Appendix I			
PL/19/1317/FA	11 Abrahams Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9FA	Demolition of existing conservatory and part two/part single storey rear extension.	<u>No objection (20.05.19.)</u>
PL/19/1329/FA	Misbourne Cottage 25 Chequers Hill Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9DQ	Single storey rear extension with rooflights and new door to side elevation.	<u>No comment (20.05.19.)</u>
PL/19/1299/FA	Green Park Copperkins Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5SS	Change of use of land to extend existing residential caravan site to provide 6 additional traveller pitches each containing a single static caravan and single touring caravan with associated hardstanding/infrastructure.	<u>Recommend refusal (20.05.19.)</u> Members consider this to be inappropriate development in the Green Belt and AONB. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is noted that the planning application is for a new area and is not a retrospective application to address the current breach of planning consent for the additional caravans on the newly created hard-standing. • In light of this, Members consider that the enforcement notice should be executed to remove the extra caravans currently on the site without planning consent. • It is noted that the applicant states there is a “shortage of this culturally specific accommodation in Bucks”. This is not supported in the recent GTAA Report, which states there is no requirement to increase capacity. • Moreover it would seem that the many of the current occupants do not meet the planning definition of ‘Gypsies and Travellers’. • Members question whether planning consent

			<p>is also required for the large generator which has been placed on the site to boost the electricity supply.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is also noted that the applicant states “no existing trees will be impacted by the proposed additional capacity”. However, it is clear from aerial photographs that significant site clearance including the removal of vegetation has already taken place on the application site between 2015 and 2016.
PL/19/1303/FA	Lansdown The Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0AB	Single storey rear extension and additional window to side elevation	<u>No comment (20.05.19.)</u>
PL/19/1416/FA	37 The Meadows Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9AR	Part conversion of garage, change to rear windows including roof lantern.	<u>No objection (20.05.19.)</u>
PL/19/1432/FA	Site Of Proposed Mast Amersham Bypass Amersham Buckinghamshire	Removing existing 12.5m high dual purpose telecommunications lamp-post and replacing with a 15m high dual-purpose telecommunications lamp-post, with 1 no. GPS module fixed to a mounting bracket beneath the antennas and ancillary works (The upgraded radio equipment will be installed within the existing equipment cabinets).	<u>No objection (20.05.19.)</u>
PL/19/1369/FA	Windmills Devonshire Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5JF	Create additional living accommodation in the roofspace, with the addition of 2 rear dormers, 2 side dormers, and front roof lights.	<u>Recommend refusal (20.05.19.)</u> The proposals are considered to be inappropriate, or poor design and would change the street scene.

PL/19/1617/FA	32 Hundred Acres Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9EA	Two storey front, single storey rear extension with roof lantern and partial conversion of garage	<u>No objection (20.05.19.)</u>
PL/19/1591/FA	55 Stanley Hill Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9BB	Part two storey, part single storey rear extension with dormer windows and balcony, conversion of garage with roof lights, first floor side extension and front porch canopy. Alterations to windows and doors.	<u>Recommend refusal (20.05.19.)</u> Members consider the proposals would adversely change the character and would not be subservient to the existing dwelling. The extensions are also considered to be an overdevelopment of the site.
PL/19/1612/FA	7 Canterbury Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9HA	Two storey front and single storey side extension	<u>No objection (20.05.19.)</u>
PL/19/1557/FA	The First Sun House 4 Highover Park Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0BN	Single-storey rear/side extension, and internal and external alterations; replacement of existing railings to roof terrace, widening of entrance gate and driveway.	<u>No objection (20.05.19.)</u>
PL/19/1558/HB	The First Sun House 4 Highover Park Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0BN	Single-storey rear/side extension, and internal and external alterations; replacement windows to south and north elevation of existing extension, replacement of existing railings to roof terrace, addition of flue pipe to rear east elevation, widening of entrance gate and driveway.	<u>No objection (20.05.19.)</u>
PL/19/1548/FA	The Laurels Sycamore Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6BW	Part first floor, part two storey side extension. Replacement double garage.	<u>No objection (20.05.19.)</u>
PL/19/1378/FA	Delingbourne 19 Willow Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9DW	Single storey front and side extensions. New raised roof with front & rear dormers to allow for additional first floor accommodation.	<u>Recommend refusal (20.05.19.)</u> Members have no objection to the proposed alterations to the front and side of the building, but consider the rear dormers to be out of keeping in the vicinity.

PL/19/0632/FA	East Building Timber Supplies 43 - 47 Chiltern Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 5AF	Continued use of site as builders' merchant (sui generis) and reconfiguration of site layout including revised servicing, car parking and storage arrangements (including storage racking), new 2.4 metre high perimeter fencing and associated works	<u>No comment (20.05.19.)</u>
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