

AMERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF AN ON-LINE MEETING OF
THE PLANNING AND FOOTPATHS WORKING GROUP
HELD ON 9 OCTOBER 2023

PRESENT: Councillor H Maitland-Jones (Chair)
Councillor E Shepherd (Town Mayor)
Councillor R Dineley
Councillor P Milliner
Councillor M Roberts
Councillor S Woodhead

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor M Flys
Mr P Ryan – Administration Officer

42. APOLOGIES: Councillor C Jones (Vice Chair)
Councillor M Dormer
Councillor J Keeler

43. ABSENT NO APOLOGIES:
Councillor S Scott-James

44. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:
Councillor E Shepherd declared a non-pecuniary interest to applications PL/23/2960/FA and PL/23/2961/HB.

45. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE CHILTERN MATTERS:
There were no Buckinghamshire Chiltern Matters arising.

46. PLANNING APPLICATIONS: LISTS DATED 15, 22 & 29 SEPTEMBER 2023
(Please see attached Appendix I)

47. VARIANCE APPLICATIONS UPDATE:
Members were notified of variance application decisions.

48. LICENSES:
There were no licenses to report.

49. MATTERS FOR REPORT:
Members were notified of Buckinghamshire Councils' Planning Surgery responses relating to application PL/21/1309/FA.

The meeting closed at 8.19pm

..... Chairman Date

Appendix I

PL/23/2904/FA	38 Orchard End Avenue Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9JP	Single storey side extension, front porch extension, addition of side dormers, conversion of garages to living accommodation	<u>No objection (09.10.2023)</u>
PL/23/2906/FA	46 Chestnut Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6EP	First floor rear extension	<u>No objection (09.10.2023)</u>
PL/23/2908/FA	Scaffolding Storage Yard Bramble Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 9DN	Retention of scaffolding storage yard (Use Class B8)	<u>Recommend refusal (09.10.2023)</u> Members were strongly opposed to the application, noting that the storage yard, which has already been in use for a number of years without consent from the governing body, has already shown to have a negative impact on the openness of the Green Belt, with a material increase in the height and scale arising from the high scaffolding and significant material increase in storage on the site above and beyond the previous use, which was as a gardening contractor's yard primarily involved in green storage and distribution. Members also noted the storage yard having a significant impact on the locality through terms of noise above and beyond the previous use and noted that a large number of deliveries also having an adverse impact to residential properties adjacent to the site to the West, South and South East. It was also noted that the increased height of scaffolding storage also detracts from the rural character of the area.
PL/23/2889/FA	4 Governors Close Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6UP	Garage conversion to habitable space	<u>No objection (09.10.2023)</u>
PL/23/2989/TP	3 Ashleigh Close Amersham Buckinghamshire	Corsican pine - remove portion of roots that are lifting tarmac of driveway and possible installation	<u>No comment (09.10.2023)</u>

	HP7 9RA	of a root barrier (TPO/1987/014)	
PL/23/2960/FA	Chalk Stream House 35A High Street Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0DP	Single storey rear extension, addition of 2 side rooflights and changes to side windows and doors and internal changes including repositioning of internal staircase and subdivision of room.	<u>Discussed (09.10.2023)</u> Members deferred to Buckinghamshire Council's Heritage department.
PL/23/2961/HB	Chalk Stream House 35A High Street Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0DP	Listed building consent for single storey rear extension, addition of 2 side rooflights and changes to side windows and doors and internal changes including repositioning of internal staircase and subdivision of room.	<u>Discussed (09.10.2023)</u> Members deferred to Buckinghamshire Council's Heritage department.
PL/23/3035/FA	The Crown Hotel 16 High Street Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0DH	Conversion of existing detached outbuilding into a gin distillery with associated storage, ancillary to hotel use.	<u>No objection (09.10.2023)</u>
PL/23/3036/HB	The Crown Hotel 16 High Street Amersham Buckinghamshire HP7 0DH	Conversion of existing detached outbuilding into a gin distillery with associated storage, ancillary to hotel use.	<u>No objection (09.10.2023)</u>
PL/23/3018/FA	42 Grimsdells Lane Amersham Buckinghamshire HP6 6HH	Demolition of existing outbuilding and erection of single storey detached outbuilding in rear garden	<u>No objection (09.10.2023)</u> Subject to being ancillary use to the main property.