

MINUTES OF PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 5 AUGUST 2013 IN THE ROBIN ROOM, THE CASTLE, HERTFORD AT 6.00PM

PRESENT: Cllr N Wilson, in the Chair
Councillors: Mrs S Newton, D Poole, R Radford, P Ruffles and R Willis

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms T Carpenter – Civic Administration Manager

120. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Mrs B Haddock (Unwell) and Cllr Mrs B Mansfield (Holiday)

121. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr R Willis	DPI	3/13/1273/FP – 115-149 Tudor Way and rear of 2-90 Hutton Close	Member of the Tenant's Association
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122. THE MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The minutes of the Planning Sub-Committee Meeting held on 22 July 2013 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings, and the Chairman was authorised to sign the same.

123. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA – PAPER A

It was noted that the Post Box repairs were almost complete, but a key needed to be located for the Box in order to complete the fitting of the repaired plaque. It was requested that a further report be obtained regarding the progress of the planning application for the flag pole.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The report be noted.

124. QUESTIONS AND/OR STATEMENTS FR/OM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None.

125. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered current planning applications, and commented as follows:

3/13/1172/FP/MC	13 Magnolia Close	Two storey side extension
No objection		

3/13/1194/FP/TA	46A St Andrew Street	Change of use from Office (B1) to dance and exercise hall (Class D2 Assembly and Leisure)
No objection		

3/13/1254/FP/JS	17 Castle Street	First floor side extension and provision of fire escape stairs at rear
No objection		

3/13/1256/FP/TA	Yew Cottage, 7 Warren Park Road	Detached double garage with first floor studio
No objection, however concern was expressed at the possibility that the development could, at some point, be developed as a habitable dwelling within the boundary of the current property.		

3/13/1273/FP/SD	115-149 Tudor Way and rear of 2-90 Hutton Close	Demolition of 115-149 Tudor Way and erection of 11no 3 storey 3 bedroom houses. Erection of 8no 1 bed and 16no 2 bed flats over 3 storeys to the rear of 2-90 Hutton Close
<p>Objection. The application shows a plan which would hugely over develop an area which gives Sele Farm its character and its quality. With the slowly emerging District Plan proposing the provision of hundreds more homes to the west of Hertford, this application is a despoiler and will blight many good homes, and provide new homes with a poor environment which relates badly with some existing homes, the existing road layout and the existing open green edge to the whole estate. The resulting development would create a neighbourhood which would resemble a 'challenged London Borough' rather than reflect the character of a county market town of Hertford's quality.</p> <p>Note: Having previously declared a DPI, Cllr Willis left the room during the discussion on this item.</p>		

3/13/1287/AD/TA	3 Parliament Square	New fascia sign with individual externally illuminated letters and externally illuminated projection sign (retrospective)
No objection, although the Committee was disappointed that the application was retrospective. The Committee noted that the new signage had not detracted from the important fenestration on the first floor of the property.		

3/13/1318/FP/JS	8 Wilton Crescent	Single storey side and rear extension
No objection		

Councillors Ruffles and Wilson declared that any views expressed about applications were on the evidence before them so far, and at this meeting. They reserved the right to speak on additional evidence, which may be presented to them subsequently as District Councillors.

126. DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY AND EAST HERTS COUNCILS

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The review of decision notices from East Herts Council be noted.

127. CORRESPONDENCE

The public Inquiry dates for the New Barnfield Recycling and Energy Recovery Facility were noted

128. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

1. East Herts Council - Consultation on Revised List of Validation Requirements for Planning and Listed Building Consent Applications.
2. Footpath between Windsor Drive and Thieves Lane

Meeting closed at 1845