

MINUTES OF PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11 MARCH 2013 IN THE ROBIN ROOM, THE CASTLE, HERTFORD AT 6.00PM

PRESENT: Councillor D Poole in the Chair
Councillors Mrs B Haddock, Mrs S Newton, P Ruffles, and R Willis

IN ATTENDANCE: Tricia Carpenter (Civic Administration Manager)

Note: In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman, Cllr David Poole was elected Chairman for the meeting.

387. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr N Wilson (Holiday)

388. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr P Ruffles	Declarable	3/13/0312/FP – 69 North Road	Cllr Ruffles is known to the family
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389. THE MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The minutes of the Planning Sub-Committee Meeting held on 25 February 2013 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings, and the Chairman was authorised to sign the same.

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

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The action sheet be noted.

391. QUESTIONS AND/OR STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None.

392. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

3/13/0092/FP/JS	238 Ware Road	First floor rear extension
No objection		

3/13/0242/FP/AK	14 Cumberland Close	Conversion and extension to garage to create gym
No objection: Whilst the Committee has a policy against the conversion of garages, in this case it was considered that there was adequate space within the curtilage of the property not to cause displaced vehicles to be forced to park on the highway.		

3/13/0263/FP/AK	113/115 Cromwell Road	Raise roof to provide second floor accommodation on both properties, replace existing flat roof on rear lean-to of no 113
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		with pitched roof
The Committee had reservations regarding the visual impact on the street scene and of over looking of the Town Council allotments.		
3/13/0285/FP/JS	76 Burleigh Road	Removal of terracing to front garden to provide 2no parking spaces , addition of a retaining wall and associated landscape
Objection: The Committee expressed disappointment at the loss of the green amenity and the detracting of the street scene which would be caused by cars parked in front gardens, especially if other residents in the road decided to take similar action.		
3/13/0299/FP/SD	The Old Reservoir, 89 Port Hill	Erection of single storey rear extension and veranda canopy. Erection of two storey side extension (amendment to permission approved under Ref 3/12/1499/FP
No objection		
3/13/0302/FN/JS	10 Maidenhead Street	Development of 4no 1 bed flats over 1 st and 2 nd floors (renewal of 3/09/1952/FP allowed on appeal)
No objection		
3/13/0311/FP/AK	70 Woodlands Road	Conversion of garage and internal alterations
Objection: The Council had a policy against the conversion of garages which could lead to cars parked in front gardens or on the highway. The Committee also objected to the change to the front door, which it felt created a poor visual impact on the street scene.		
3/13/0312/FP/SD	69 North Road	Single storey rear extension. Two storey front extension with open porch and pitched roof to existing side extension
No objection		

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

393. DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY AND EAST HERTS COUNCILS

It was **RESOLVED** that:

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

394. CORRESPONDENCE

Appeals

The following appeal decisions issued by the Planning Inspectorate were noted:

3/12/0272/FP Old Clay Pit, St Mary's Lane
Appeal Allowed

E/07/0474/B

62 Mangrove Road
Appeal Allowed in Part

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The appeal decisions be noted.

Informal Consultations

Proposed Waiting Restrictions – Tamworth Road and Hamels Drive

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The proposals be noted.

Letter from Resident

A letter had been received from a resident drawing the Council's attention to the poor state of repair of the listed building currently occupied by Bollywoods Restaurant.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

A letter be forwarded to East Herts Council to request that action be taken against the owner of the building to ensure that appropriate remedial repairs be carried out.

395. STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING

Development at Market Street/Railway Street

The Committee requested that a letter be sent to East Herts Council to request the opportunity to name the above development, when such a request was received. Concern was expressed that the developer had erected a sign at the property naming the building Market Court, Market Place and could be planning to request this, as opposed to Adams House, which was the original name for the building.

396. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

None.

The meeting closed at 6.45pm.