

**MINUTES OF PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2015 IN THE ROBIN ROOM, THE CASTLE, HERTFORD AT 6.00PM**

PRESENT: Cllr P Ruffles, in the Chair

Councillors S Cousins, Mrs S Dunkley, Dr L Radford

IN ATTENDANCE: Tricia Carpenter – Interim Town Clerk  
Jackie Haynes – Mayor’s Secretary

In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman chaired the meeting.

**203. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs R Deering (Holiday), M Deards, Mrs S Newton and Cllr Mrs B Haddock (unwell)

**204. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None			
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**205. THE MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The minutes of the Planning Sub-Committee Meeting held on 7 September 2015 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings, and the Chairman was authorised to sign the same.

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

Footpath Safeguarding

The Chairman had secured three submissions of evidence from individuals who regularly used the footpath over many years. Councillor Cousins confirmed that he knew of another individual who would be prepared to submit evidence of usage.

Wall at the Hertford Club

It was understood that the re-building of the wall was imminent.

A Boards

It was noted that further enforcement action was necessary to ensure businesses kept A boards sited close to their properties.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The action sheet be noted.

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

None

**208. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

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

3/15/1812/LBC/DS	61 Fore Street	Internal works associated with proposed change of use of ground floor and basement from retail to bar including relocation of staircase, removal of part of basement, a ground floor disabled/female WC and kitchen, new fascia sign with three swan neck lamps and new toughened glass light well covers to 2x existing delivery chutes
No comment		
3/15/1803/HH/MC	136 The Avenue	Single storey rear extension. Loft conversion with new side window and 3 velux windows included on first floor. Hipped roof to be changed to gable end
No objection		
3/15/1809/VAR/SD	The Old Library, Old Cross	Removal of Condition 4 (public access) of planning permission 3/11/2174/FP for change of use from D1 (non residential institutions) to B1 (Business) (a) offices, not with A2
Objection. It was considered that this listed building that should be open to the public at occasional times, even if it was just on Heritage Weekend in September.		
3/15/1753/HH/AH	42 The Springs	Changes to rear glazed doors and windows
No objection		
3/15/1849/HH/AH	33 Pearson Avenue	1 <sup>st</sup> floor rear extension
No further comment		
3/15/1671/OUT/MC	Arboretum Unadopted track North from Ware Park Road to Ware Park Manor, Ware Park	Outline application with all matters reserved for a change of use of previously development land to a dwelling (use Class 3)
The Committee was anxious that the character and nature of the historic parkland, and buildings in it (and relationship to each other) should be maintained to ensure the character of the area is conserved. The Committee was not confident that this application, all be it outline, would achieve this.		
3/15/1825/HH/MC	254 Hertingfordbury Road	Demolition of porch and playhouse. Rendering of property, single storey rear extension and erection of raised decking to S/W corner of the garden
The Committee was concerned at the dominance of the proposal, which though screened by hedges is high and the raised decking and rear extension could add detrimentally to the street scene at this location.		
3/15/1731/HH/SD	18B Bengoe Street	Two storey and single storey extension and internal alterations to dwelling
No objection		
3/15/1868/ADV/AH	53 Railway Street	Fascia Sign
No objection		

3/15/1844/HH/AH	7 Sturla Close	New porch and single storey rear extension
The Committee was anxious about the effect of the porch on the street scene. No objection was raised to the rear extension.		

Councillors Cousins and Ruffles 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.

**209. DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY AND EAST HERTS COUNCILS**

It was **RESOLVED** that:

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

**210. CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**211. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**

None.

Meeting closed at 6.50pm.