

MINUTES OF PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12 MARCH 2018 IN THE ROBIN ROOM, THE CASTLE, HERTFORD AT 6.00PM

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs Haddock, in the Chair

Councillors: S Cousins Mrs S Dunkley, P Ruffles, S Rutland Barsby and Mrs B Wrangles

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Mrs M Stevens
Tricia Carpenter – Civic Administration Manager

613. RECORDING OF MEETING.

None

614. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Dr Radford (personal matter)

615. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Wrangles	Personal	Planning Application: 3/18/0517/HH – 55 Peel Crescent	Applicant is known to Cllr Wrangles
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616. THE MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The minutes of the Planning Sub-Committee Meeting held on 26 February 2018 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings, and the Chairman was authorised to sign the same.

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

Birdcage – the Blackbirds

It was understood that the matter had been referred to the Brewery's solicitor for advice regarding the formal transfer of the Birdcage to the Hertford Museum.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The Committee **notes** the Action Sheet.

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

None

619. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

3/18/0212/FUL	29 The Springs	Replacement windows (<i>Kingsmead Ward</i>)
No objection		

3/18/0269/FUL	75 Queens Road	Replacement dwelling with associated parking (<i>Castle Ward CA</i>)
Objection. The proposal was considered to be out of keeping with the street scene.		
3/17/2900/HH	24 Turpins Close	Single storey side extension, single storey front extension and alterations to first floor fenestration (<i>Sele Ward</i>)
No objection		
3/18/0406/RESPN	89-91 The Avenue	Prior approval for change of use from florist (A1) to Café (A3) (<i>Bengeo Ward</i>)
Objection. The Committee objected to the loss of an A1 retail property.		
3/18/0313/HH	4 Owens View	Proposed part single storey/part two storey side extension incorporating front and rear dormers. Garage conversion to habitable accommodation. Loft conversion with rear dormers incorporating Juliet balconies and front and rear roof lights. Front stone porch. Alterations to fenestration (<i>Bengeo Ward CA</i>)
No objection		
3/18/0316/HH	95 Birdie Way	Loft conversion with new dormer (<i>Kingsmead Ward</i>)
No objection		
3/18/0342/HH	7 Bridges Court	Replacement windows and doors and insertion of bi-fold doors (<i>Bengeo Ward CA</i>)
No objection		
3/18/0346/HH	44 Campfield Road	Single and two storey rear extension (<i>Sele Ward</i>)
The Committee noted the improvements made on the last application but remained concerned regarding the size of the development in relation to the original property.		
3/18/0344/HH	29 Woodlands Road	Single storey rear extension, extension and increase in height of decking to the rear – amended scheme (<i>Kingsmead Ward</i>)
The Committee hoped the decking was now appropriately sited.		
3/18/0337/HH & 3/18/0338/LBC	Tudor Cottage, St Mary's Lane	Single storey extension (<i>Castle Ward GB</i>)
No objection		
3/18/0343/HH	Windyridge House Bramfield Road	Retrospective application for conversion of garage to habitable accommodation (<i>Sele Ward GB</i>)
No objection, provided it continued to be used ancillary to the main dwelling.		
3/18/0322/HH	23 Molewood Road	Loft conversion with rear dormer window and 2no rooflights to front elevation (<i>Bengeo Ward CA</i>)
The Committee expressed concern regarding the roof lights on the front elevation, given that the property is within the Conservation Area.		
3/18/0366/HH	11 Queens Road	Single storey rear and side extension and 4 dormers added in loft (<i>Castle Ward CA</i>)

Concern was expressed regarding the inclusion of the front dormers.		
3/18/0333/HH	105 Tamworth Road	Single storey rear extension (<i>Kingsmead Ward</i>)
No objection		
3/18/0372/HH	325 Ware Road	Erection of 1no 3 bedroomed dwelling with associated landscaping and parking (<i>Kingsmead Ward</i>)
Objection. The proposal was considered an overdevelopment of the site and concern was expressed at the lack of parking.		
3/18/0517/HH	55 Peel Crescent	Single storey rear extension (<i>Bengeo Ward</i>)
No objection		
3/18/0407/HH	19 Port Vale	Replacement single storey rear extension (<i>Bengeo Ward CA</i>)
No objection		
3/18/0408/HH	76 Hertingfordbury Road	Single storey side extension (<i>Castle Ward CA</i>)
No objection		

Councillors Cllr Cousins, Cllr Rutland Barsby 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.

620. DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY AND EAST HERTS COUNCILS

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The decisions be noted.

621. CORRESPONDENCE

Licence Application – The Burger Box, 23 Parliament Square

The Committee noted that licences have been granted to other similar businesses much later into the night than members would like generally, it therefore felt unable to object to this one, however consideration must be given to residents living in the town centre, of which there are many.

622. HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL WASTE LOCAL PLAN INITIAL CONSULTATION

The Committee considered the above Initial Consultation and commented as follows:

The Council was in broad support of HCC's suggested options and approaches but wished to make the following observations:

1. The Town Council strongly endorses the Waste Hierarchy.

2. The distinctive character of Hertfordshire has been clearly described in 4.8 and at other points in the consultation document.

The Hertfordshire LEP wisely identifies three main business growth areas for which North South movement corridors are particularly important and have to be advantaged.

Hertford sits astride one of the few East West transport routes across the densely populated County. It is important that, for Waste transportation, maximum use is made of the 'transport efficient' LEP growth corridors, which are at the West and East of the County.

Until the A414 corridor can be hugely improved, the transportation of Waste East West across Hertfordshire must be minimised.

3. Not seeking a change in the proposed order, nevertheless the Town Council wishes to stress its support for the inclusion of Objectives 5 and 10 in the draft list. These refer to navigable water and rail uses for waste transportation and the potential impacts of climate change.

In Chapter 9, while supporting all the objectives to do with sites and areas, members wish to encourage support for objective 3 and for issues 18-21 believes the Waste Local Plan should identify both 'Areas of Search' and 'Allocated Sites'.

4. As a grass roots local authority, Hertford Town Council encourages composting on its allotment sites. It strongly supports efforts by the District Council (East Herts) to promote home composting by its householders. The Town Council, while understanding the financial challenges of the collecting authority, joins that Authority in its present commitment to do all it can as a 'green waste collector' to avoid any disincentive to recycle waste using its brown bins collecting scheme. The Town Council supports East Herts Council in its policy not to charge for the removal of green waste from domestic premises.

Note: Cllr Mrs Rutland Barsby took no part in the discussion or decision on this item.

623. THE BURGER BOX PARLIAMENT SQUARE

Concern had been expressed by a member of the Committee regarding the colour of the door of the Burger Box. It was understood that this was not an enforcement matter, but nevertheless the door was due to be painted black shortly.

624. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

None.

Meeting Closed: 7.10pm.