

**MINUTES OF PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 7 JULY 2014
IN THE ROBIN ROOM, THE CASTLE, HERTFORD AT 6.00PM**

PRESENT: Cllr N Wilson, in the Chair
Councillors Mrs B Haddock, Dr L Radford, D Poole, P Ruffles and R Willis

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms N Villa (Town Clerk)
1 Members of the public

95. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

96. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr P Ruffles	Declarable	4 Farquhar St	Applicant has corresponding with him

97. THE MINUTES

It was noted that there were a few typos and spelling errors in the minutes relating to road names in the item under un-adopted footpaths, which Cllr Ruffles would feed back to the Chairman for correction.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

Subject to these corrections the minutes of the Planning Sub-Committee Meeting held on 23 June 14 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings, and the Chairman was authorised to sign the same.

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

The reply from Hertfordshire County Council regarding un-adopted footpaths was discussed and the Clerk was asked to list the matter as an item for the next agenda.

The Clerk was instructed to remove 'town signage' from the action list.

The issue of signage at Hertingfordbury Road was discussed and the Chairman updated the Committee on a recent meeting held between officers of EHC, HCC and several Members of this Committee. The officers were tasked with identifying who owns the land and ensure that the grass is not cut there in future to deter businesses from erecting A'Boards. However it was noted that these A'Boards had now moved to the central reservation and the Clerk was instructed to contact the relevant enforcement officers as these posed a visual distraction to drivers.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The action sheet be noted.

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

Mr Rob Macrae addressed the meeting regarding Planning Application 3/14/1109/FP, 4 Farquhar Street

100. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

3/14/1019/FP/JS	17-19 Castle Street	Rear double car port
The Committee expressed concern about the impact on the historically significant Bayley Hall and were keen to ensure that the structure should be built in materials which complement its surrounding (timber, brick and tiles)		
3/14/1061/FP/SD	90 Tamworth Road	Two storey and single storey rear extensions
Objection – the Committee felt that the proposed extension extends beyond the neighbouring properties and was overbearing overdevelopment.		
3/14/1066/FP/JS	147 Ladywood Road	Erection of carport (retrospective)
Objection – the Committee believes that this car port has been built on public amenity land and is outside of the boundary of the property. Furthermore, the materials used are not in keeping with the environment or location.		
3/14/1071/FP/SD	Weir Cottage, St Andrew Street	Part garage conversion and provision of window into side elevation
No comment		
3/14/1083/AD/JS	17-19 Castle Street	3no non-illuminated fascia sign to front and side elevations
No Objection		
3/14/1106/FP/AK	12 Manor Close	Removal of grass and topsoil of existing front garden and construction of block paving for vehicular parking with associated drainage.
No Objection		
3/14/1032/FP/MC	135 Ware Road	Two storey two bedroom dwelling and detached garage
No objection provided that any lost trees are replaced		
3/14/1041/LB/MC	2-4 Fore Street	1no externally illuminated fascia sign, 1no externally illuminated hanging sign
Objection – the Committee feels that this is inappropriate for a listed building and conservation area.		

3/14/1109/FP/SD	4 Farquhar Street	First floor level extension through raising and replacing the existing roof and eaves line with provision of seven dormer roof windows, new entrance porch and single storey rear extension
No Objection		
3/14/1134/LB/JS	Blackbirds PH 15-17 Parliament Square	Construction of a covered courtyard with glass rooflight
No Objection		
3/14/1115/FP/AK	104 North Road	Provision of raised patio
No Objection		
3/14/1062/FP/AK	10 Eleanor Road	Removal of garage, two storey side extension and new external finish to existing walls
No Objection subject to appropriate party wall agreements		

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.

101. DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY AND EAST HERTS COUNCILS

It was **RESOLVED** that:

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

102. CORRESPONDENCE

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

3/14/0144/AD 151 Hertingfordbury Road
Appeal dismissed.

3/14/0036/FP 90 Tamworth Road
Appeal Dismissed.

103. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

None

Meeting closed at 1910