

MINUTES OF PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13 APRIL 2015 IN THE ROBIN ROOM, THE CASTLE, HERTFORD AT 6.00PM

PRESENT: Cllr N Wilson, in the Chair
Councillors: Mrs S Newton, Dr L Radford and P Ruffles

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms T Carpenter – Civic Administration Manager

482. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

483. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None			
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484. THE MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The minutes of the Planning Sub-Committee Meetings held on 30 March 2015 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings, and the Chairman was authorised to sign the same.

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

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The action sheet be noted.

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

None.

487. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

3/15/0468/HH/JS	33 Pearson Avenue	First floor rear extension
Concern was expressed at the likely overshadowing of neighbouring properties and domination of the sugarloaf style architecture.		

3/15/0484/HH/AH	12 The Avenue	Single storey side and rear extensions
No objection		

3/15/0482/NMA/SD	14 The Drive	Non material amendment to 3/14/2156/FP Reduction in size of lantern from 250m x 2m to 2m x 1m
No objection		

3/15/0545/HH/JS	205 Ware Road	Single storey rear extension with internal alterations
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No objection		
3/15/0505/HH/JS	12 Bullocks Lane	Proposed flat roof dormer for a loft conversion
Objection. The proposed dormer was considered to be over large and the design did not respect the character of the dwelling and would be detrimental when viewed from rear of other properties.		
3/15/0444/HH/MC	3 Hawthorn Close	Ground floor rear and first floor side extension
Objection. The proposal would result in overshadowing to No 4 Hawthorn Close.		
3/15/0520/HH/JS	202 Hertingfordbury Road	Two storey side extension
It was considered important that any changes made resulted in the two properties mirroring each other.		
3/15/0428/HH/JS	82 Mangrove Road	Two storey side extension, single storey rear extension and loft conversion with rear dormer windows
The proposed dormer was considered overlarge at the rear of the property and would result in the overlooking of the neighbouring gardens. Concern was also expressed at the loss of the garage.		
3/15/0532/HH/AH	2 Wilton Crescent	Single storey side/rear extension
No objection		
3/15/0539/FUL/LP	International House, 29 Tamworth Road	Proposed office conversion to form 9 residential dwellings and associated parking with single storey rear extension and 1 st floor rear extension
No objection although the Council would wish to see an increase in available parking spaces to eliminate on street parking.		
3/15/0570/HH/AH	30 Magnolia Close	Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of new single storey rear extension
No objection		
3/15/0102/FP/TH	Bluecoat House, 9 Bluecoats Avenue	Change of use from B1 (offices) to C3 (residential) – Amendment – To provide details of external works
No specific comment.		
3/15/0437/VAR/MC	106 Fordwich Rise	Variation in garage use condition of LPA ref 3/96/1184/FP to allow use for residential accommodation.
Objection. The Council objected to the loss of the garage which could lead to on street parking and this area is particularly congested, being opposite a school.		
3/15/0589/HH/SD	7 The Drive	Garage conversion and infill beneath existing roof to create enclosed porch
The Council regretted the loss of the garage, which could lead to additional on street parking.		
3/15/0574/HH/AH	39 The Drive	Single storey rear garden room
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.

488. DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY AND EAST HERTS COUNCILS

It was **RESOLVED** that:

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

489. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

490. ROAD MARKINGS ON A414 NEAR ROUNDABOUT

The Committee requested that Ringway be approached to carry out re-painting of the Keep Clear road markings on the A414 at the Hale Road roundabout. The markings had faded to such an extent that they were consistently ignored by motorists, thus causing traffic problems in the area.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The Committee requests that the Clerk contact Ringway to request that the road markings be repainted.

491. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

1. Various flyposting/signage issues, including banners that had been erected on trees at the junction of Beane Road and North Road. Also the Sky Sports banner erected on the Jungle Bar and a further plastic sign outside Wickes.
2. Proliferation of A boards and Outside Dining, particularly in Maidenhead Street. To consider the Council's view this and to gain an understanding of the regulations and enforcement responsibilities.

Meeting closed at 1850