

# HUNGERFORD TOWN COUNCIL

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**MINUTES** of the **Environment and Planning Committee** held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at 7.00 pm in the Corn Exchange complex, Hungerford.

**Present:** Cllrs Farrell, Winsler, Chicken, Brookman, Simpson and Colloff

Also present: Geoff (The Advisor).

1. **Apologies for absence.** Cllrs Whiting, Crane, Hudson Knight and Small.
2. **Declarations of interest.** Cllr Chicken for item 5c. Cllr Farrell for items 8 and 9.
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2016.** Cllr Farrell proposed minutes of 23<sup>rd</sup> May as a true record with corrections, seconded by Cllr Winsler. All in agreement.
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016.** Cllr Brookman proposed minutes of 13<sup>th</sup> June as a true record, seconded by Cllr Simpson. All in agreement.
5. **District Councillors report.** Cllr Farrell emailed the district councillors, but received no response. Discussion took place as to whether to continue to have this item on the agenda, as the district councillors have not attended recently. **Action:** Office to determine when the district councillors last attended an E&P meeting. **Action:** Cllr Farrell asked the office to send a letter to clarify if the district councillors will attend meetings in the future.
6. **Planning Applications: -**
  - (a) **16/01475/HOUSE**  
Mrs House  
9 Combe View  
Rear single storey extension

A request had been made on the planning portal web page for additional plans. These were not present on the site yesterday afternoon. The decision was held over to the next meeting.

- (b) **16/00886/HOUSE**  
Mr Senathiizajah Thayanan  
31 Charnham Street  
1xFascia sign, 1x projecting sign and Dutch blinds.

Colour was deemed to be out of character with the surrounding buildings as the property, though not listed, is in a conservation area. The committee refused planning permission, which was proposed by Cllr chicken and seconded by Cllr Farrell. All were in favour.

- (c) **16/01409/HOUSE**  
Mr and Mrs Dickens  
Waterside Lodge, Upper Eddington  
New garden room extension to replace an existing conservatory.

Review of the plans showed that the replacement of like for like and was inoffensive. Cllr Brookman proposed no objection and seconded by Cllr Simpson. All in favour with one abstention.

**d) 16/01524/HOUSE**

Ms M Harris  
2 & 3 Hedge End, Priory Road  
Proposed single storey rear extension to two properties.

Cllr Farrell proposed no objection and seconded by Cllr Winser. All in favour.

**e) 16/01580/LBC2**

Mr and Mrs N Ostler  
129A High Street  
New garden library.

The house is listed but the new library is positioned in a location where it will not affect this. Cllr Winser proposed no objection and seconded by Cllr Chicken. All in favour.

**f) 16/01580/HOUSE**

Mr and Mrs N Ostler  
129A High Street  
New garden library.

Cllr Winser proposed no objection and seconded by Cllr Chicken. All in favour.

**7. Case Officers Reports: - were noted**

**(a) 16/00974/HOUSE**

Mr & Mrs Stone  
55 Chilton Way  
Replace existing conservatory with a single storey rear extension.  
**Granted.** HTC No objections.

**(b) 16/00567/LBC2**

Dr Andrew Macey  
99-102 High Street  
Conversion of two dwellings into one dwelling.  
**Granted.** HTC No objections.

**(c) 16/00778/FUL**

Sarah Scrope  
Chilton Estate Office, Leverton  
Retention of south elevation wall to existing (west) range of potting sheds, demolition of other remaining defective building fabric to be replaced to match. Change of use from potting sheds to small business units.  
**Granted.** HTC No objections.

**(d) 16/00456/FUL**

M King  
Cameo House, 41 High Street  
Change of use of ground floor of Cameo House, High Street, Hungerford from Hairdressers (A1) to Offices (B1).  
**Granted.** HTC No objections.

**(e) 16/00904/FULD**

Joanne Elizabeth, Countess of Bradford  
28 High Street  
Section 73a: Variation of condition 2 – approved plans of approved application 15/02928/FULD – Conversion of offices (B1a) to single dwelling house (C3), and the erection of rear extension, following removal of existing conservatory; with associated internal and external alterations.  
**Granted.** HTC No objections.

**(f) 16/010420/LBC2**

Joanne Elizabeth, Countess of Bradford  
28 High Street

Section 19: Variation of condition 2 – approved plans of approved application 15/02884/LBC2 – Conversion of offices (B1a) to single dwelling house (C3), and the erection of rear extension, following removal of existing conservatory; with associated internal and external alterations.

**Granted.** HTC No objections.

**(g) 16/00989/HOUSE**

David Withers

130 Strongrove Hill, Bath Road

Proposed double storey extension to west elevation, with removal of existing uPVC conservatory.

Proposed single storey extension to south facing elevation on the original footprint of an existing timber conservatory which is to be removed.

**Granted.** HTC No objections.

**(h) 16/01047/FULD**

Westbrook Farm house, Smitham Bridge Road

Site at Westbrook Farmhouse to be split into two residential curtilages and construction of new build house to provide a new family home for local residents.

**Granted.** HTC No objections.

8. **Update on actions associated with Land Adjoining 14 -19 Upper Eddington.** The appeal by Waddington Forbes Homes took place on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2016. Cllr Farrell spoke to WBC and we will not receive any information for 2 months, when the outcome should be emails to the office. **Action:** Deputy Clerk to place it on the agenda for September.
9. **Planning application for Croft Field Building** – to enhance the Croft Field Centre it is hoped to extend to create a garden room at the rear. Cllr Farrell had arranged for an architect to attend the site to determine if planning permission would be required. This will allow HTC to apply for a grant towards to creation of the garden room from Tesco's in their next round of grant awards. **Action:** Cllr Farrell will inform the committee of the outcome of the review of the site.
10. **Update on the planning conditions of the containers at Triangle Field** – A brief summary of the R&A meeting was given, with the main issues being the position of the containers, screening of the containers and the creation of the additional storage area. Some issues were thought to need further clarification. The screening of the containers was an original planning requirement. However, it may be possible to paint the containers or plant up containers with plants. HTC had re-surfaced the Triangle Field car park and it was not wished to disturb the car park by planting in screening plants. Some discussion was held about asking WBC to get the condition of screening lifted.

Cllr Farrell and Winsor are due to attend the meeting of Hungerford Theatre Club on Wednesday and a summary of issues to raise were discussed. This included:

*Electrical connection* from the units to Hungerford Rugby Club and not HTC end of the Rugby club. The location of the cable is not clear and no certificate for the work has been provided. **Action:** Office to write to Hungerford Theatre Club to clarify the location of the electric cable from the club house to the containers, to confirm if it is in use and a certificate for the electrical works carried out. A response must be provided within 28 days.

*Breach of planning* (joining of the containers and lack of screening) possibly look for something different to screen the containers, are the containers in the original place and does WBC need to confirm these changes through an amended planning request.

*How do we move forward?*

11. **Update on the Pigeon issues on the High Street** – Deputy Clerk present information on Pigeon control methods that could be used in Hungerford. Company offers a trapping service, where pigeons are trapped in a wooden hut through a one-way door. Legally, they can stay in the hut for one day, with food, water and space, before the birds are dispatched. Cllr Farrell wished to consider the use of a peregrine falcon. **Action:** Deputy Clerk to follow up on this.

**Meeting closed at 7:50 pm.**