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MINUTES of the **Environment and Planning Committee** held on Monday 11th June 2018 at 7.00 pm in The Library, Hungerford.

Present: Cllrs Farrell, Crane, Chicken, Brookman, Winsor, Hudson and Simpson.
Also present were several members of public

1. **Apologies for absence – Cllr Finlay** (It was noted Cllr Knight has now come off this committee)
2. **Declarations of interest** – All present declared their interest in item 7 as the owner is a co-opted member of Highways and Transport.
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2018** – *Cllr Farrell proposed the minutes of 14th May 2018 as a true record, seconded by Cllr Simpson. 3 abstentions, rest in favour.*
4. **Planning Applications: -**
 - a) **18/01193/HOUSE**
29 The Croft
Mr & Mrs Jason Bellman
Convert attic room to home office and shower room.
*Cllr Winsor proposed **No Objection**, seconded by Cllr Farrell, all in favour*
 - b) **18/01036/HOUSE**
29 Sanden Close
L Smith & L McKay
New entrance lobby, convert existing garage to utility area
*Cllr Brookman proposed **No Objection**, seconded by Cllr Simpson, all in favour*
 - c) **18/01120/HOUSE**
11 Atherton Crescent
Mr & Mrs Jeff Richings
New front porch and extension, rear conversion of conservatory to kitchen
*Cllr Chicken proposed **No Objection**, seconded by Cllr Crane, all in favour*
5. **Case Officers Reports: -** These were read out and noted.
6. **Pre-application review:**
Granny Annexe - 32 Sanden Close HUNGERFORD
Single storey extension to provide ancillary residential accommodation for a relative
Cllr Farrell proposed HTC comment 'we would like it to remain as a single dwelling and not become another individual unit', seconded by Cllr Simpson, all in favour.
Action: Office to query why we are now receiving pre-applications, as this could potentially double our workload.

7. **Eddington Fences – feed-back from North Wessex Downs** – Cllr Farrell has spoken with the AONB. The road that the fence borders is also owned by Eddington Mill. The land will be used to keep animals not as a garden. All conversations with West Berks Council and AONB indicate that the owner is not breaching any regulations.
8. **Further discussion on Cala drawings – (This item was taken first)** – The outline plan, watercolour illustrations, photographs of features and sample elevations from Cala and Waites were available to view.

Members of the public put forward questions for the developers.

Action: Clerk to ask Cala/WBC for the following: -

- Confirmation of the plans for the land between Kennedy Meadows and the new development. There is support for it to be kept as a buffer (the depth varies between 1 and 8 metres) and to retain the path but who will maintain it and if there is no access will Cala considering selling it to the residents? We understand that some of the trees are being reinstated.
- Concern was expressed that the existing houses will become overlooked by the new development. It was asked if the layout could be considered to avoid this where possible. Is there any flexibility with the layout?
- Plans for the buffer zone to the south of the new development
- Clarification of the footpath shown running north to south. Does this go across the road?
- Confirmation that the buildings will be no higher than 2 storeys
- Details of the access through John O Gaunt School
- Confirmation of how the 40% affordable housing will be placed

A video was played showing the Winchester Cala development for interest.

It was commented that Cala & Waites can produce good designs and we would like to see the best of what they can provide in Hungerford. A request for the Cala & Waites plans to be put on HTC's website was received.

Meeting closed 8.00 pm