

# HUNGERFORD TOWN COUNCIL

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**MINUTES** of the **Environment and Planning Committee** meeting held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 7.00pm by remote access.

**Present:** Cllrs Gaines, Crane, Fyfe, Simpson, Winser, Knight and Lewis.

Also: Cllr Alford, Claire Barnes (Town Clerk), Sarah Hennessey (Deputy Town Clerk), District Councillors Dennis Benneyworth, James Cole, Claire Rowles and representative from Newbury Weekly News.

- 1. Apologies for absence** – Cllrs Chicken and Hudson.
- 2. Declarations of interest** – Cllr Simpson Item 4(c), Cllr Knight Item 4(e). These are non-pecuniary interests.
- 3. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020 and update on actions** – *Cllr Simpson proposed acceptance of minutes as a true record, seconded by Cllr Crane, three abstentions (Cllrs Winser, Knight and Lewis), rest in favour.*

#### **4. Planning Applications -**

##### **a) 20/00574/HOUSE**

Eddington Mill House, Upper Eddington – John Willmott

Demolition of existing damaged store/workshop outbuilding and replacement with new oak framed store/workshop outbuilding.

*Cllr Simpson proposed No Objection, seconded by Cllr Winser, all in favour.*

##### **b) 20/00612/FULD**

Riverbend, Upper Eddington – Mr and Mrs Denny

Section 73 Variation of condition (2) plans of approved 18/02374/FULD – Demolition of 2-bed dwelling house and erection of new 3-bed dwelling house.

Cllr Gaines advised this application will automatically be “called-in” to the Western Area Planning committee as there are more than 10 objections from local residents to the application on the WBC planning portal.

*Cllr Gaines proposed to strongly Object to any changes to the original approved planning application number 18/02374/FULD. We feel it has an adverse visual impact on the landscape and locality.*

*There are design issues with the detailing and materials as follows:*

*-The blue render is unacceptable and should revert back to the timber cladding across the whole building as per the original approved planning application*

*-The stained timber screening to study on the north west elevation should not be removed as this will soften the building*

*-Roof height - the fascia thickness should remain at 300mm*

*-The height of the building should be no more than on the original approved planning application*

*-The increase in the ridge height is unacceptable and should remain at 8.5m*

*-We would request enforcement of a landscaping plan that complies with current planning policies (C7, C3, CS19 & ADPP5), and the replacement of any trees that have been removed without permission with native species trees no lower than 4m to plant in order to screen the SSSI River Kennet corridor from the development.*

*This site is adjacent to a SSSI and it is laughable that the applicant considers some of these amendments to be 'de minimus' and to expect us to approve this application.*

*Seconded by Cllr Simpson, all in favour.*

**c) 20/00651/FUL**

Plume of Feathers Inn, Hungerford – Mr and Mrs Hall

Proposed glazed pergola.

*Cllr Lewis proposed No Objection, seconded by Cllr Crane, two abstentions (Cllrs Simpson and Fyfe), rest in favour.*

**d) 20/00564/HOUSE**

1 Down View, Park Street, Hungerford – Mr and Mrs Hill

Proposed two storey rear extension.

*Cllr Winser proposed No Objection, seconded by Cllr Knight, all in favour.*

**e) 20/00731/HOUSE**

13 Bridge Street, Hungerford – Ms J Lloyd

Remove existing timber garden building and erect new timber frame garden building.

*Cllr Simpson proposed No Objection, seconded by Cllr Lewis, one abstention (Cllr Knight), rest in favour.*

**5. Case Officers Reports – These were read out and noted.**

Before the meeting closed, Cllr Simpson asked for clarification from the District Councillors regarding the process for future Western Area Planning committee meetings. District Councillor Rowles advised that WBC is expecting to receive guidance this week and she will update us once the guidance has been received.

**Meeting closed 7.55pm.**