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MINUTES of the **Environment and Planning Committee** meeting held on Monday 10th July 2023 at 7.00 pm in the Library, Church Street, Hungerford.

Present: Cllrs Fyfe, Hudson, Simpson, Carlson, Cole and Greenwell. Also in attendance, District Councillor Benneyworth, a member of the public, representatives for agenda item EP2023036 (a) and (d) and a representative from Newbury Weekly News.

In attendance: Lydia Cutland (Deputy Town Clerk)

- EP2023033Apologies for absenceCllrs Winser, Armstrong and Lewis.
- EP2023034 Declarations of interest None
- EP2023035 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th June 2023 and update on actions.

Proposed:	Cllr Greenwell
Seconded:	Cllr Carlson
Resolution:	To approve the minutes of 10 th June 2023 as a true record. Two abstentions.

Outcome of actions:

Agenda point EP2023031:

- 1) Planning application 23/01032/CERTP for Norgate House DC Benneyworth advised that prior to her holiday, DC Gaines had confirmed to him that she had called this into WBC. No further update at this stage.
- 2) Planning application 23/01082/HOUSE use of UPVC windows in a conservation area. HTC have been advised that WBC planning office control the use of UPVC in conservation areas, but this is subject to considerations of its impact on character and appearance and appropriateness for the conservation area/part of a conservation area rather than being a blanket ban. WBC shared a link with HTC to the supplementary planning document "quality design" and the supplementary planning guidance "house extensions" for the general approach taken in respect of materials. In a conservation area they would usually be looking for materials to match in as well as possible.
- 3) Planning application 23/01175/PACOU for 125 High Street DC Benneyworth advised that prior to her holiday, DC Gaines had confirmed to him that she had called this into WBC. No further update at this stage.



No further actions outstanding.

EP2023036 Planning applications:

a) 23/01353/HOUSE

1-2 Park Street – Mr and Mrs J Talmage Proposed rear dormer window and new conservation rooflight

Proposed:Cllr SimpsonSeconded:Cllr KeatesResolution:No objection. One abstention.

b) 23/01441/FULMAJ

Little Hidden Farm, Wantage Road - Acworths Proposed construction of a steel portal framed extension to general purpose building, together with an outdoor menage

Proposed:Cllr SimpsonSeconded:Cllr CarlsonResolution:Support

c) 23/01506/ HOUSE

The Barn by the River – Mr and Mrs Stockwell Proposed replacement garden store

Proposed:	Cllr Fyfe
Seconded:	Cllr Simpson
Resolution :	No objection

d) 23/01492/FUL

Land Approximately 400 Metres East Of Dark Lane and South Of Denford Lane – Denford Park Pastures East

Erection of equestrian workers dwelling; with associated parking, turning, landscaping, private amenity space and access

Representatives for the applicant were in attendance at the meeting. Councillors were keen to understand more about the requirements of the brood mare and foaling, animal welfare and security and the period when a person would be based in the proposed dwelling. The representatives explained that the value of the animals and welfare was of equal importance, that September to March was a critical timeframe for the 25-30 horses and that rural crime was increasing which was making them extra vigilant. They added that with a dwelling and person on site it would help create a presence and act as a deterrent for intruders and against criminal acts. Councillors asked whether CCTV could be installed, improved technology, more robust fencing and gates or if a temporary mobile home could be sited during the relevant winter months instead. It was also noted that the footpath giving public right of way would always be an issue in terms of proximity to the buildings and opportunistic intruders.



Proposed:Cllr SimpsonSeconded:Cllr KeatesResolution:Objection to the application due to more clarity required on the settlement
boundary because it sits outside the settlement boundary and does not meet the
rural working criteria, animal welfare vs value of livestock and that alternative
security measures could be considered. Two abstentions to the objection and one
opposed to the objection.

ACTION: Request made to District Councillor Benneyworth to call this into WBC.

e) 23/01438/HOUSE

15 De Montfort Grove – Mrs Kate Fisher 2no. ground floor rear / side extensions and first floor extension over garage

Proposed:Cllr KeatesSeconded:Cllr GreenwellResolution:No objection

e) 23/00908/ HOUSE

8 Salisbury Road - Mr and Mrs Steve Thorpe

Proposed carport. Amendment to application - The clock tower has been been removed from the proposal. This is a notification only. Any previous comments will be taken into account when a decision is made on this application. HTC proposed no objections to the original application apart from the caveat that EV charging points should be installed.

It was noted by the Committee that this is a notification only so no consultation is required.

EP2023037 Case Officers Reports:

These were read out and noted.

The meeting closed at 20.54 pm.

