

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, NEWBURY TOWN COUNCIL, MARKET PLACE, NEWBURY ON MONDAY 3 JUNE 2019 AT 7.30PM.

PRESENT

Councillors Phil Barnett; Jeff Beck; Billy Drummond; Nigel Foot; Jon Gage; Roger Hunneman; Pam Lusby Taylor; Stephen Masters; Vaughan Miller; Andy Moore; Gary Norman (Vice Chairperson).

In Attendance

Hugh Peacocke, Chief Executive Officer
Kym Heasman, Corporate Services Officer

13. APOLOGIES

Councillors: Tony Vickers, Chris Foster (Councillor Billy Drummond substituting).

14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Phil Barnett; Jeff Beck; Billy Drummond; Stephen Masters and Andy Moore are also Members of West Berkshire Council, which is declared as a general interest on their behalf and a dispensation is in place to allow them to partake in discussions relating to West Berkshire Council business.

15. MINUTES

The Vice-Chairperson made the following comments regarding actions from the previous meeting:

- **Minute No. 4:** Foundation stone at the old Library: response from conservation officer at WBC "As the building is not on the national list the council does not have any statutory means to or requiring the owner to restore the foundation stone, unfortunately local listing provides no additional planning control but it does mean that it's conservation as heritage asset is an objective of the national planning policy framework and the material consideration when determining the outcome of a planning application."
- **Minute No. 7:** ENGIE have been invited to present to the committee, and will be attending the next scheduled Planning and Highways meeting Monday 24th June 2019.

PROPOSED: Councillor Roger Hunneman

SECONDED: Councillor Jeff Beck

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee held on Wednesday 15 May 2019, be approved and signed by the Chairperson.

16. QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were none.

Minute No. 24. & 18. were discussed at this stage in the meeting.

17. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

Councillor Phil Barnett asked the following question:

"Can this Planning and Highways Committee meeting of Newbury Town Council write into West Berks Council requesting evidence of any air Quality tests carried out in areas of Queens and Boundary roads where stationary traffic was at a standstill for long periods over the last month or so due to the closure of Mill Lane?"

Vice-Chairperson answered:

"Yes, we will do that and we will circulate any response to the members of this Committee."

Councillor Phil Barnett asked the following question:

"By all accounts reading from various papers recently the shopping centres in Newbury are up for sale. That being the case can this Planning and Highways committee request Newbury Bid to ensure future owners of these centres are totally committed to the vitality of Newbury Town?"

Vice-Chairperson answered:

"Yes, we will write to the BID asking them to encourage future owners of these centres to support the vitality of the Town."

Councillor Phil Barnett asked a supplement question:

"With the number of changes seen on the high street with increasing number of shoppers traveling out of town shops centres can we as Newbury town council help encourage these shoppers to support our shops, when closure of shops is becoming more and more common."

Vice-Chairperson Responded:

"I don't think that this is the right committee for the question and it would probably be better put to one of the working groups, maybe the market working party."

18. BERKSHIRE LOCAL INDUSTRY STRATEGY

Mr Tim Smith MBE, Chief Executive, from Thames Valley Berkshire Local Enterprise, gave a presentation to the committee. The vice-chairperson thanked Tim Smith and Gabrielle Mancini for their attendance. Members are requested to forward their comments to the CEO to collate, the council's response to be formalised at the next scheduled Planning and Highways committee meeting Monday 24th June 2019 (Mr Tim Smith agreed the proposed would be accepted by TVLEP on 25th June 2019)

19. SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Resolved that the observations recorded at Appendix 1 to these minutes be submitted to the planning authority.

20. SCHEDULE OF PLANNING DECISIONS

Information was received and noted by the Committee.

21. UPDATE FROM THE WESTERN AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

PROPOSED: Councillor Phil Barnett

SECONDED: Councillor Jon Gage

RESOLVED: That Members agreed the Vice-Chairperson Councillor Gary Norman will attend any relevant WAP Meetings, as a representative of Newbury Town Council, to put forward the comments made by this committee.

22. SANDLEFORD PARK WORKING GROUP – UPDATE

In response to the request received from this council following the last meeting of the committee, West Berkshire Council has confirmed that there have been no changes to the SPD since March 2015, amended to include development principle S1: WBC still requires the proposals for Sandleford Park to be brought forward by means of a single application, in order to achieve a comprehensive development and ensure a timely provision of infrastructure, services, open spaces and other facilities in a properly coordinated fashion.

23. RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CANAL CORRIDOR WORKING GROUP

PROPOSED: Councillor Roger Hunneman

SECONDED: Councillor Billy Drummond

RESOLVED: That when the committee responds to any planning application or other relevant matter that falls within the canal corridor that the Council recommends that the matter should be referred to the Canal and Rivers Trust for comment, in their role as a statutory consultee.

24. THE WEST BERKSHIRE COUNCIL SPEED INTERVENTION PROGRAMME

Members received a presentation from Mr Ben Andrews, on how the SID equipment works. If any members wish to go on the training course, they should contact Cheryl Evans at West Berkshire Council.

25. FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME FOR PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2019/20

Information was received and noted by the committee.

PROPOSED: Councillor Gary Norman

SECONDED: Councillor Billy Drummond

RESOLVED: That an additional standing item be added to the future working programme.

- Review of actions from previous minutes.

**THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRPERSON DECLARED THE MEETING
CLOSED AT 22.00 HRS**

CHAIRPERSON

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**PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING
SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS – RESOLUTIONS**

RUNNING ORDER	RESOLUTION	APPLICATION NUMBER	LOCATION AND APPLICANT	PROPOSAL
1	No objection	19/01122/HOUSE	36 Cromwell Road, Newbury for Darren Walters	First floor extension to side and rear to form additional living space
2	No objection	19/01137/FULD	The Bungalow, Greenham Island, Mill Lane, Newbury for Mark Wiltshire	Replace existing dwelling with smaller dwelling
3	No objection	19/000923/HOUSE	26 Howard Road, Newbury for James & Charlotte McCunn	Change of roof tile and removal of chimney
4	No objection	19/0827/HOUSE	56 Digby Road, Newbury for Mrs Caulfield	Two storey rear extension
5	No objection provided the Tree Officer has no objections	19/01263/HOUSE	Blue Cedars, Andover Road, Newbury for Mr & Mrs Dunbar	First floor side extension
6	Support the principle of the application	19/00978/FUL	The Two Watermills, Monks Lane, Newbury for Eugenie Ltd	Installation of 2x electric charging points alongside existing car parking spaces, with ancillary bollards, power feeder pillar and signage
7	No objection	19/01111/HOUSE	190 Andover Road, Newbury for Mr & Mrs Stowe	Replacement of conservatory with rear single storey extension
8	No objection	19/01179/HOUSE	31 Monks Lane, Newbury for Niall & Ros Barker	Proposed two storey front extension and first floor extension. External render and timber cladding upgrade to some external walls, some replacement windows
9	No objection	19/01196/HOUSE	11 Willowmead Close, Newbury for Mr & Mrs Taylor	Conservatory
10	No objection	19/01215/HOUSE	33 Montgomery Road, Newbury for Mr & Mrs C Phillips	Addition to larger rear dormer replacing existing rear dormers
11	Objection / comment: Members feel that this is an ambiguous use of the property and has potential to become residential	19/01087/HOUSE	Wishanger, Kendrick Road, Newbury for Glenn James	The erections of a detached double garage to include 2x garage door, 6x roof lights, 2x single doors and windows
12	No objection	19/01277/HOUSE	25 Paddock Road Newbury for Caroline Braidwood	Demolition of existing garage and porch. Construction of a single storey side and rear extension and associated works
13	No objection	19/00930/ADV	148 Bartholomew Street, Newbury for Star Pubs	Installation of two awnings, replacement illuminated and non-illuminated signs to the exterior of the building
14	No objection	19/01010/REM	31-34 Bartholomew Street, Newbury for Rissance Limited	Application for approval of reserved matters following permission 16/01942/OUTMAJ - Outline application development of 14 no. 2 bed apartments and A1 unit – Matters to be considered – appearance and land scraping

15	No objection	19/01158/ADV	35 Bartholomew Street, Newbury for Paul Green	Main fascia sign and hanging sign to advertise services of the business occupying the premises
16	No objection	19/01224/ADV	12 Northbrook Street, Newbury for Loungers UK Ltd	Installation of new fascia sign and new hanging sign
17	No objection	19/01223/LBC2	12 Northbrook Street, Newbury for Loungers UK Ltd	Installation of new sign
18	No objection	19/01271/HOUSE	45 Berkeley Road, Newbury for Mr & Mrs Jones	Two storey rear extension with internal modifications
19	No objection	19/01157/HOUSE	81 Dene Way, Donnington, Newbury for Mr D Reed	Erection of conservatory following removal of existing
20	Objections / comments: 1) There is a lack of amenity space and trees. 2) no cycling access/routes in the development. 3) Members support the comments and observations made by Shaw Cum Donnington Parish Council. 4) Members supported the concerns made by the CCG	19/00442/OUTMAJ	Land Adjacent to Hilltop Oxford Road, Donnington, Newbury for David Wilson Homes (Southern)	Section 73: Variation of Condition 1 (approved plans) and Condition 14 (A339 underpass CCTV) of planning application reference 14/02480/OUTMAJ allowed under appeal decision reference APP/W0340/W/16/3143214 dated 20 March 2017 Outline application for mixed use scheme on 23.1ha of land, comprising up to 401 dwellings on 11.35ha of land. A 400m2 local centre (Use Classes A1/A2/D1/D2 - no more than 200m2 of A1) on 0.29ha of land, one form entry primary school site on 1.71ha of land, public open space, landscaping and associated highway works. Matters to be considered: Access
21	Objection / comments: 1) There is a lack of amenity space and trees. 2) No cycling access/routes in the development. 3) Members support the comments and observations made by Shaw Cum Donnington Parish Council. 4) Members supported the concerns made by the CCG	18/03061/RESMAJ	Land Adjacent to Hilltop Oxford Road, Donnington, Newbury for David Wilson Homes (Southern)	Reserved matters application for phased development of 222 dwellings following approval of outline application 14/024800/OUTMAJ. Matters to be considered: Appearance, Landscaping, Layout & Scale