

AT A MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND GENERAL WORKS COMMITTEE
OF BRACKLEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE UPPER HALL, TOWN HALL,
BRACKLEY ON MONDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2007 at 7.54 pm

Present: The Worshipful the Town Mayor (Councillor P J Broomfield)
Councillors C S Billingham, C J Blunden (Chairman), K Dixon,
D G Dunham, T D Hayward, P Joyce, G Rhys, D M Shaw and P M Titchener

Apologies: Nil

In attendance: Councillors K D Bonner-Dunham and C O Cartmell

221. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Personal and pecuniary interested declared by the Town Mayor in planning application S070232P and he advised that he would leave the room whilst this was being discussed.

222. CAR PARKING

Members were advised that the application for Brackley Football Club, S/2007/0590, had been approved but notice had been given that a variation would be required to allow the car park to be utilised by the public.

A letter had been received from the Club regarding finance. This would be dealt with under Private and Confidential.

223. SCREENS FOR SHOP FRONT

A letter had been sent to Mr Pearson of South Northamptonshire Council regarding the request for murals on the window boarding of shop windows. Mr Pearson said he was not in favour because the exercise would be costly and there was no money available. Members suggested that this could be undertaken by various schools and Councillor Billingham asked if a further letter could be sent to Mr Pearson asking if he had any objection to the idea from a planning point of view or in principle. If he was in agreement, an approach could be made to the various schools and it may be possible to have the artwork undertaken at no cost to the Council.

It was therefore

RESOLVED:

To write again to Mr M Pearson at South Northamptonshire Council to ascertain his views on whether he had any objections, in principle or from a planning point of view, if there was no cost to the Council.

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224. VEHICLE ACTIVATED SIGNS

Reference Minute 193/07, notification had been received that the above signs would cost between £6,000/£8,000 plus a three year maintenance charge. Permission for installation lies with the Casualty Reduction Department and is regulated to locations that have major safety problems. There is no record of a traffic accident at the Pavillons Way chicane.

Councillor Joyce commented that if County Council had taken the advice of the Town Council and reversed the chicane there would not be a problem. Councillor Cartmell said that he was aware of at least three/four accidents which had occurred this year. Comment was also made that although the accidents may not have caused damage to life or limb, this was nevertheless a dangerous area and Members felt that the reversal of the chicane would be the best option and limit the cost.

225. LORRY SIGNS

Reference Minute 194/07 a request for a 'tipping lorry' sign on the A43 roundabout at the junction with Oxford Road had been sent to the Highways Agency. An email response had been received stating that the area will be looked at shortly.

226. BUCKINGHAM ROAD

Notification had been received that there is to be a reduction of the speed limit along Buckingham Road from the McCarthy & Stone development down to the junction off the A43. The request was a Section 278 order in connection with developers contributions. Members noted.

227. HINTON ROAD

A number of complaints had been received regarding speeding in Hinton Road over the last two years. Parish speeding boards had been erected in the past but as there are no records of collision data the area falls outside the Casualty Reduction Remit.

Regarding the problems with HGV'S, County Council do not currently have the powers to issue Penalty Charge Notices but changes in the legislation on 31st March 2008 will give authorities additional powers. In the meantime the problem will need to be addressed by the Police.

Members noted.

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228. TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

Notification had been received that the A422 Brackley Road in Farthinghoe would be closed for remedial works from 17th September 2007 for four weekends. Members noted.

229. MEMBERS REPORTS – CORE STRATEGY MEETING

Councillor Dixon reported that he had attended this meeting along with four other representatives from various parishes. He said it had been very interesting and he urged Members to complete the questionnaire, because input was needed. Councillor Billingham commented that it was very important that representation at these meetings was continued so that regular information was obtained.

230. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning applications were discussed and it was

S070232P	2 Buckingham Road	Erection of dwelling. Decision: OBJECTION on the grounds of undesirable infilling, tight site, entry & egress on to an already busy road. Comment was also made that the building would result in the loss of a view.
S071143P	89 Martial Daire Boulevard	Conversion of detached dwelling into semi-detached dwellings. Decision: OBJECTION on the grounds of overdevelopment, insufficient parking and the impact on the street scene. (A similar application has previously been refused permission)
S071167P	14 Ashwin Close	Single storey to side and conversion of Integral garage into habitable room. Decision: No observations
S071200P	2 Rowan Close	Single storey extension to rear and Replacement dormer window to front Decision: No observations

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230. PLANNING APPLICATIONS Cont'd....

S071217P Unit 3 Top Station Road Remove existing ground floor window and replace with glazed entrance door
Decision: No observations

S071229LB 16 Church Road Replacement of existing thatch from Combed wheat reed to long straw with traditional flush fitting ridge. **Decision:** No observations

S071234P 14 Saimon Close Rear conservatory. Decision: (no plans available) **Decision:** Deferred for one month until plans available.

S07 1250P 2 Lancaster Drive Rear conservatory. **Decision:** No observations

S071272P 36 Martial Daire Boulevard Conversion of garage to living accommodation, first floor side extension two storey side extension and rear conservatory. **Decision:** No observations

Amendments

S070232P The Mill House Redevelopment of site including demolition of existing building providing 6 residential flats and construction of new building to provide 14 residential flats. Nature of Amendment: Increase size of brick quoins on windows on southern elevations. Reduction in lno. First floor window and 1 no. 2nd floor window on north elevation. Additional ground floor window on north elevation. **Decision:** No observations

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230. PLANNING APPLICATIONS Cont'd.....

For Information

S071055P	Westminster Rise	Detached double garage to front. Nature of amendment: Reduction in height and scale of garage and slight repositioning.
S071008P	Rostrevor Church Road	First floor side extension and dormer at rear. Nature of Amendment: Roof design amended to include a hipped form, dormer window design altered. Proposal description amended

231. INFORMATION REPORT

An Information Report was attached to the Agenda which covered the following items:

- a) West Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit - Members were urged to complete this
- b) Aylesbury Vale District Council
- c) SNC Housing Transfer Project
- d) Climate Change
- e) Buckinghamshire County Council

232. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was

RESOLVED:

That the press and public be excluded from this Meeting during the discussion on matters relating to finance matters as publicity would be prejudicial to the public by nature of the business to be transacted.

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233. CAR PARKING

A letter had been received from Brackley Town Football Club concerning the use of the car park for public parking and the possibility of the Town Council contributing towards the project.

Discussion ensued on the way forward and it was

RESOLVED:

To acknowledge the letter from the Football Club.

To liaise with Buckingham Town Council to ascertain the level of funding it makes to Aylesbury District Council towards the parking in Buckingham

To discuss the matter again in a month's time.

Meeting closed at 8.34 pm

Chairman