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DRAFT MINUTES of the **Environment and Planning Committee** meeting held on Monday 13th November 2023 at 7.00 pm in the Library, Church Street, Hungerford.

Present: Cllrs Fyfe, Simpson, Winser, Keates, Hudson, Carlson, Coulthurst, Cole, Armstrong, and Cusack.

In attendance: Claire Barnes (Town Clerk) and Wendy Crookall (Deputy Town Clerk)

EP20230055 Apologies for absence – Cllr Greenwell
Also, District Cllrs Benneyworth & Gaines

EP20230056 Declarations of interest
Cllr Keates agenda item EP20230059 (e)

EP20230057 Propose co-option of Cllr Cusack to the E & P committee.
Proposed: Cllr Keates
Seconded: Cllr Coulthurst
Resolution: Cllr Cusack co-opted

EP20230058 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 9th October 2023 and update on actions.
Proposed: Cllr Simpson
Seconded: Cllr Carlson
Resolution: Minutes of 9th October 2023 approved as a true record with one abstention by Cllr Winser.

ACTION

Action: District Cllr Gaines to confirm how many employees working within WBC Planning Department given difficulties in recruitment within planning, ecology and conservation, which was identified as a nationwide problem. **(15.11.23 – update - this has now been provided)**

Action: District Cllr Vickers (TV) to confirm why HTC did not get a second change to express our opinion if a planning decision goes against HTC's position. TV noted that local knowledge should be taken more notice of, and it is a problem that much is done under delegated power.

Action: Claire Barnes, Town Clerk to request District Cllrs provide their responses in writing

EP20230059 Planning applications:

a) 23/02299/HOUSE

4 Church Way Hungerford RG17 0JX - Bill Scott-Kerr and Janine Giovanni

Replacement of existing single storey flat roof with new flat roof with rooflights using parapet wall perimeter; installation of new first floor bathroom window, replacement of kitchen window with wider opening and sliding doors; replacement of bedroom sliding doors with window; and replacement of the garage door with a glazed bifold door in the existing opening.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](https://www.westberks.gov.uk)

Proposed: Cllr Coulthurst
Seconded: Cllr Keates
Resolution: No objection (All in favour)

b) 23/02357/LBC and 23/02356/HOUSE

The Hermitage Wantage Road Eddington Hungerford RG17 0HA

Single storey rear extension, internal works.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](https://www.westberks.gov.uk) and [Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](https://www.westberks.gov.uk)

Proposed: Cllr Winser
Seconded: Cllr Keates
Resolution: No objection (6 in favour, Cllrs Cole & Simpson objected, Cllr Armstong abstained)

c) 23/02291/HOUSE

Hornhill, Sanham Green, Hungerford, RG17 ORR

Erection of greenhouse

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](https://www.westberks.gov.uk)

Note: Previous planning application went to appeal.

Proposed: Cllr Simpson
Seconded: Cllr Armstrong
Resolution: Support

d) 23/02336/HOUSE

White Gates, Hungerford Park, Hungerford, RG17 OUR – Mr & Mrs Smith

Two Storey Side Extension

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](https://www.westberks.gov.uk)

Proposed: Cllr Cole
Seconded: Cllr Carlson
Resolution: No objection

e) 23/02416/HOUSE

27 Bourne Vale, Hungerford, RG17 0LL

Single storey rear extension, side carport, rear detached garden room

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](https://www.westberks.gov.uk)

Proposed: Cllr Simpson
Seconded: Cllr Coulthurst
Resolution: No Objection provided they follow conditions imposed by WBC. Cllr Keates abstained.

f) 23/02441/FUL

Unit 4 Station Yard, Station Road, Hungerford, RG17 ODY

Retrospective subdivision and refurbishment of industrial unit to create three new industrial units, including internal reconfiguration and minor external amendments.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](http://westberks.gov.uk)

Proposed: Cllr Winser

Seconded: Cllr Armstrong

Resolution: No objection

EP20230060. Case Officers Reports: These were read out and noted.

a) 23/01441/FULMAJ

Little Hidden Farm, Wantage Road, Newtown, Hungerford RG17 OPN - Acworths

Proposed construction of a steel portal framed extension to general purpose building, together with an outdoor manège.

HTC proposed Support. The application was approved.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](http://westberks.gov.uk)

b) 23/02062/NONMAT

Hungerford Leisure Centre, Priory Road, Hungerford, RG17 OAL

Nonmaterial amendment to approved planning permission 21/02551/REG3 - New dance studio - as single storey extension to existing leisure centre. Amendments: Reduction in height of the building from 2.8 m to 2.4 m (internal ceiling height); Reduction in extent of glazing to one elevation. To meet fire standards for unprotected areas.

HTC proposed Support. The application was approved.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](http://westberks.gov.uk)

c) 23/01769/HOUSE

143 Priory Road, Hungerford RG17 OAP

Replace garage roof, garage doors, garage conversion, rear extension and covered area.

HTC proposed no objection. The application was approved.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](http://westberks.gov.uk)

d) 23/02180/REG4

Hungerford Library, Church Street, Hungerford, RG17 OJG

Solar PV Roof Panels

HTC proposed support. The application was approved.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](http://westberks.gov.uk)

e) 23/02203/TPC

The Laurels, Eddington, Hungerford, RG17 ODZ

T1 -Oak – Prune away limbs encroaching onto building alignments achieving 2m clearance – close to roof and windows T2 – Willow – Pollard back to previous points – tree management.

HTC proposed no objection. The application had no objections.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](http://westberks.gov.uk)

f) 23/02285/TPC

5 Church Lane, Hungerford, RG17 0HX

T1 – Bay Laurel: Fell and treat stump with eco plugs. T2 – Willow: Fell and treat stump with eco plugs.

The application had no objections.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](http://westberks.gov.uk)

g) 23/02250/COND

John O Gaunt Community Technology College, Priory Road, Hungerford, RG17 0AN

Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 7 (community use) and 8 (Management and maintenance) of planning permission 22/01156/REG4 – Refurbishment of an artificial turf pitch (ATP) (8123 sq. metres) with associated features including: Extended 3G football turf pitch (7420 sq. metres): 4.5m high ball stop fencing with entrance gates to form an enclosure around FTP perimeter; 1.2m high and 2.0m high pitch barriers with entrance gates internally within fenced FTP enclosure; 15.0m high LED floodlights (6no.) around FTP perimeter; hard-standing areas for pedestrian access and circulation, portable goals storage, as well as vehicular access(688 sq. metres).

HTC proposed Objection pending further information from district council and local representatives (including Football Club), due to errors in report, lack of local representation and lack of clarification of costs and lighting. (Clarification on several points since received). The application was approved.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](http://westberks.gov.uk)

h) 22/02869/HOUSE

Hornhill, Sanham Green, Hungerford, RG17 0RR – Mr & Mrs S Jones

Erection of detached garage and greenhouse

An appeal has been made to Secretary of State against the decision of West Berkshire Council to refuse planning permission. HTC had no objections.

The appeal will be determined on the basis of written representations. The procedure to be followed is set out in Part 1 of the Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Representations Procedure) (England) Regulations 2009.

As this appeal is proceeding under the Householder Appeals Service, there is no opportunity for you to submit comments. However, we have forwarded all the representations made to us on the application to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant. These will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal. If you wish to withdraw any representations you made on the application, you must make this request to the Planning Inspectorate. You can do this by emailing

NSI.HAS@planninginspectorate.gov.uk quoting the Inspectorate appeal reference:

APP/W0340?D/23/3326693.

[Planning Documents \(westberks.gov.uk\)](http://westberks.gov.uk)

The meeting closed at 7.37 pm.