

PLANNING CONSERVATION & TRANSPORT MEETING
Monday 12th October 2009
7.00 p.m. at Ockwells

Councillors present:

Cllr Mrs G Chapman – Chairman

Cllr B Atfield

Cllr D Tetlow

Cllr Mrs M. Boulton

Cllr B Beasley

Cllr T. Robertson

Cllr D Avenell,

Cllr Mrs A. Dentith

Cllr L. Forrester

Cllr Peter Colmer Wiltshire Councillor and 6 members of the public.

At the start of the meeting the Chairman pointed out the notice regarding fire instructions on the entrance door.

Public Question Time

Mr Bob Jones, Cricklade Business Association' asked if there would be an update on the Car Park. He was informed this would be covered under working party reports.

Two residents complained about various parking and street clutter matters in the conservation area, in particular the car park at Bath Road where vehicles are being left on a permanent basis. In Bath Road itself a number of vehicles were being parked overnight including a Gloucestershire Highways lorry and additionally a number of builder's containers at the Vale Hotel making the whole area look untidy. The resident offered to undertake a survey of the Conservation Area as a volunteer as she had information from English Heritage on the way in which conservation areas were being neglected. Following discussion it was agreed that the Assistant Town Clerk should endeavour to establish whether the area in question is owned by Westlea Housing or Wiltshire Council and ask if overnight parking could be prohibited, also to ask Wiltshire Council for advice on the builder's containers.

MINUTES

09.098 Apologies for absence

Cllr M. Dixon

09.099 Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda

None

09.100 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 21st September 2009 were signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true record.

09.101 Planning applications received from Wiltshire Council.

a) N/09/01631/FUL Mrs J Duda, 51 Chelworth Road, Cricklade SN6 6HL Erection of Two-Storey Side Extension, Single Storey Rear Extension, Front Porch & Detached Garage/Hobbies Room in Rear Garden following Demolition of Existing Garage (Revision of 09/01078/FUL)
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Following discussion it was RESOLVED to SUPPORT this application.
b) N/0900912/FUL Mr Atwell c/o Agent: Green Planning Solutions LLP, 3A High Street, Much Wenlock, Shropshire TF13 6AA (Amended Plans (noise survey)) 14 residential Gypsy Pitches. Land Adj Calcutt Farm Cricklade
Following discussion it was RESOLVED to continue to OBJECT to this application on the following grounds - the noise survey that has been submitted only confirms what was already known – that there is a constant flow of traffic on the A419 with excessive noise and emissions which could be detrimental to health. The suggested mitigation which is in part already in place is not considered to be satisfactory. A one metre high bund with a two metre high fence on top would create an unwanted intrusion into the countryside and affect the open and visual aspect of the countryside as well as its proximity to a listed building. This would be contrary to NWDC Plan NE15. Furthermore a bund will act as a barrier to surface water in an area already prone to or at risk of flooding. Further assessment of the implications to drainage in the area needs to be undertaken.
c) 09/00243/FUL . Sarsen Housing Assoc, Land Adjacent Fiddle Farmhouse, The Fiddle, Cricklade. Construction of 13 Social Housing Units with Parking, Gardens and Access Road (Amended Plans)
Following discussion it was RESOLVED to continue to OBJECT to this application on the following grounds – this latest amendment is inappropriate and unacceptable. It puts at risk pedestrian safety and Cricklade Town Council do not accept that the recommendations from the Highways Authority are either balanced or workable. To suggest that improvements elsewhere in Cricklade to the pavements by way of a Section 106 condition as an alternative will be of little consolation to those who may be injured or endangered. It reaffirms the comments already made in respect of this application.

09.102 Planning Applications – to formally request call in of any appropriate applications.

None of the planning applications listed above were considered appropriate for call in.

09.103 Planning decisions received from Wiltshire Council.

N/09/00991/FUL W Risby Ltd, C/O Agent: Abberley Design, 4 Silver Street, Cirencester Glos GL7 2BL New Single Dwelling, site adjoining Horsey Down. Granted – CTC Objected. Cllr Chapman reported that no Section 106 contribution had been requested as a condition of the permission. Following discussion it was RESOLVED to write to the Chief Planning Officer and express our concern that this had not been made a condition. During a suspension of standing orders Cllr Colmer, Wiltshire Council stated that he had asked for an explanation and had received an apology as this had been a genuine omission. It was suggested that we ask for a contribution in lieu of a section 106 payment from their budget. This was agreed.
N/09/01296/LBC & N/09/01297/FUL Ms T Randall C/O Agent: Hunter Page Planning Ltd, Thornbury House, 18 High St, Cheltenham GL50 1DZ. Realignment of Part of Garden Wall, Calcutt Farmhouse, Calcutt Granted – CTC Supported
N/09/01288/FUL. Mr A Evett, 27 Common Hill, Cricklade SN6 6EZ Extensions to Side/Front and Rear, Detached Garage and Change of Use of Land to Residential. Refused – CTC Objected
N/09/01168/LBC & N/09/01169/FUL Mr Stuart Allen, Broadleaze House, Purton Road, Cricklade

Provision of Flood Protection Works to Safeguard Listed Property including Necessary Drainage Works. Granted – CT C Supported
N/09/01182/ADV. Cotswold Canals Trust, 44 Black Jack Street, Cirencester Information Panel - Land on Junction of High Street, Cricklade Granted – CTC Supported

09.104 Correspondence received and actions to take.

- a. **Wiltshire Council** – A reply had been received from Mr Brad Fleet, Director of Development Services concerning lack of enforcement action relating to the Travellers' Site at Calcutt. Following discussion it was agreed that no further action could be taken and it was noted.
- b. **Wiltshire Council** - Notification of reports and Adoption of Wilts and Swindon Minerals & Waste Development Control Policies. – these were noted.

09.105 LDF Working Party – members considered a recommendation from the Working Party to explore the merits of Cricklade Town Council undertaking an exercise to prepare Parish/Town plan. Parish Plans (or community-led plans) can be used as policy documents for town and parish councils. There is a growing interest in these and 20 parish plans have now been published. As well as being concerned with planning and development issues, they can also be a strategy for the future of a town or parish. They show information about the parish, how and why the plan was undertaken, local problems and opportunities, and how the community wants to develop in the next 5-10 years. They reflect the views of ALL sections of the community and are recognised as a supplementary planning document. Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** to support the officer's recommendation that we invite a Community First representative to a future Full Town Council Meeting to explain what is involved and what input is necessary before considering undertaking a parish plan for Cricklade

09.106 Report on actions from the last meeting.

- 08.155 & 08.212 High Street Car Park – Written confirmation regarding adjoining wall requested from Wiltshire Council, still waited. Lease signed and returned to Solicitor. Prepare press notice and arrange working party to consider next action and the future toilet provision. **CLEARED** to Car Park Working Party.
- 09.006(e) & 09.065. 09.094 HGVs in Cricklade – Agreed 21/9/09 to hold further action for 12 months and await developments.
- 09.030 Southern Relief Road to carry forward to appropriate meeting to consider in the light of changed circumstances.
- 09.040 09.091 (c) Proposed sand and gravel extraction at Eysey – invite representative from Hanson's. Emailed Paul Williams 13.07.09. Email sent to cancel as full application now considered on 21/9/09. Awaiting response from Hanson's to the specific points raised on the planning application.
- 09.047 Write to WC about 20 mph in High Street South. Emailed Mouchel Marc Cashmore to follow up. Further email on 4/8/09. Meeting held 8th September 2009 **CLEARED**
- PQT 1.9.09 Missing Turning Circle Sign – to be referred to Mouchel Parkman as part of High Street North improvements. Enquiry to Clarence sent 7/9/09. Contacted Highways being completed. **CLEARED**

- 09.084 (b) Assistant Town Clerk to respond to letter from Wiltshire Council regarding breaches of planning permission and request clarification over the traveller's site application. Letter sent 7/9/09. See agenda item 7a **CLEARED**
- PQT
21.9.09 Pedestrian safety in High Street during road works. Contractors contacted and alterations made. Regular meetings continue to be held to resolve these issues. **CLEARED**
- 09.092 Write to Planning Officer and request further information on The Fiddle Development. Meeting held 7th October. For Dev Control Meeting on 14th October. **CLEARED**
- 09.094 (b) Appeal 30c High Street – Written submission made on 29/9/09. **CLEARED**

09.107 Working Party updates.

High Street Car Park. Cllr Tetlow outlined the latest position and referred to the latest Working party notes. There continued to be a delay on exchange of the lease due mainly to holiday, but exchange was imminent. It was **RESOLVED** to take action on the recommendations made in that report once the lease had been exchanged.

LDF – this had been covered previously on the agenda.

Flooding – in addition to the written report Cllr Chapman reported that working parties from Community Service should commence work on ditches and hedge at Fairview Fields for two days in November and two days in December.

Climate Change Working Party – Cllr Forrester reported that a Working Party meeting had been held on 5th October and it was intended to bring the action plan to committee as soon as it had been updated.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm