

PLANNING CONSERVATION & TRANSPORT MEETING
Monday 14th December 2009
7.00 p.m. at Ockwells

Councillors present:

Cllr B Beasley – Chairman

Cllr B Atfield

Cllr M. Dixon

Cllr Mrs A. Dentith

Cllr D Tetlow

Cllr T. Robertson

Cllr D Avenell,

Cllr Mrs M. Boulton

Cllr L. Forrester

7 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 C Morley asked if the 20 mph speed limit in High Street South had come into effect as the signage was incomplete. He was advised that the order was in place and that other matters reported were already being dealt with by Wiltshire Council so his concerns could only be noted. Mr R Jones CBA stated that in his opinion 5 parking spaces had been lost as a result of the High Street South alterations and wanted this noted.

MINUTES

09.133 Apologies for absence

Cllr Mrs G Chapman

09.134 Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda

Name	Agenda Item	Type of Interest	Action
Cllr Robertson	12 Fairview Fields	Personal	Stayed, took part in discussion, and did not vote

09.135 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd November 2009 were signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true record.

09.136 Planning applications received from Wiltshire Council.

a. N/09/02054/FUL. Mr L Robinson C/O Agent: Mr Marc Willis. Willis & Co (Town Planning) Ltd, 30 The Causeway, Chippenham. Erection of 2 Dwellings, 23 Common Hill, SN6 6EZ

Four letters of objection had been received. During a suspension of standing orders one resident spoke against the application explaining the impact it would have on her property. Following a discussion it was **RESOLVED** that Cricklade Town Council would **OBJECT** to this application as previous applications 08/1244/FUL and 08/02207/FUL had been refused by NWDC Planning Authority and the latter application dismissed by a Planning

Inspector on 21st August 2009. They considered this further application to be undesirable for all the reasons previously raised and documented. The previous applications were for 2 houses this one is now for a bungalow and a detached house.

This would still have an adverse effect on the character and appearance of the surrounding area as detailed by the Inspector in his reasons for dismissing the previous appeal. Simply reducing the height to a bungalow will not significantly affect the impact this will have on the area and does not address the Inspector's concerns at para 5 of his report. Two entrance/exits will be required creating yet further problems to this busy section of road entering Common Hill which has already been identified by Wiltshire Highways as the worst area of the Town for speeding traffic. This is contrary to policy C3 (i) and (iii); H4 and NE2. The local development framework is not shown on the plans and it is therefore difficult to determine the extent of the development which appears to breach the boundary.

Flooding - although the Inspector felt this was not an issue from local perspective it is a real concern. Several properties are known to flood below this site and recent reports in connection with another planning application demonstrate that SUDS do not work in this area due to London clay. Thames Water has also stated that the sewer system in The Fiddle/Forty is at capacity and no further development should take place unless this is upgraded. NWDC Local Plan NE21 and 22. Additionally a Section 106 should also be applied.

b. N/09/02086/FUL. Mr S Kular, Meadow Park Nursery School, Calcutt Street, Cricklade
Change of Use from Offices to Mixed use of Non-residential Institution (D1 use) and some Office (B1 use) at The Old School, High Street

Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** that Cricklade Town Council **SUPPORTS** this application subject to the Conservation Officer's approval however it was agreed that the planning officer should be requested to ensure that there is adequate provision for increased traffic generated as a result of the change and parking for staff in an already congested area.

c. N/09/01969/FUL Mr Batten, 4 Abingdon Court Lane, Cricklade SN6 6BL. Extensions to Side

During a suspension of Standing Orders two residents spoke about the application and it was agreed that their comments would be passed to the Planning Officer. Following discussion it was **AGREED** that Cricklade Town Council **SUPPORTS** the application subject to the Conservation Officer's approval. In particular the roof tiles need to be of matching stone in the conservation area and to ensure there is adequate turning space to prevent vehicles backing into the lane on this narrow junction where parking is an issue for residents. The concerns raised by the neighbour about the soundproofing between the two properties where he feels interior work completed has increased the problem.

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

It was **RESOLVED** to request Cllr Colmer to consider application. N/09/02054/FUL. for determination by Wiltshire Council Development Control Committee

09.138 Planning decisions received from Wiltshire Council.

N/09/01672/FUL Mr Franklin, 9 Galley Orchard, Cricklade SN6 6EE Erection of Conservatory. Granted – CTC Supported
N/09/01702/FUL Mr Smith, 17 Abingdon Court Lane, Cricklade SN6 6BZ Erection of Conservatory. Granted – CTC Supported
N/09/01757/FUL. Mr Griffin, Barncombe House, West Mill Lane, Cricklade SN6 6JL Detached Timber Framed Garage. Granted – CTC Supported
N/09/01556/S73A. Mr Tanner, The Alternative Drum School, Cricklade SN6 6AA Change of Use from Officer to Music Teaching Room Refused – CTC Supported
N/09/01758/FUL. Mrs C Fitzgerald, Ivy Cottage, The Forty SN6 6HW First Floor Side & Front Extension. Granted – CTC Supported

09.139 Correspondence received and actions to take.

- a. **Wiltshire Council – Speed Limit review.** Councillor Avenell agreed to view the DVD and report back to next meeting to enable comments to be made by 5th February. The Assistant Town Clerk was requested to display a notice that the review was taking place.
- b. **Wiltshire Council – Purton Road Traffic calming** – it was noted that the implementation date had been put back to March 2010.
- c. **Wiltshire Council – Road Traffic Order 20mph** – this was noted.
- d. **Planning Inspectorate** – Appeal 14 Abingdon Court Farm – dismissed. This was noted along with a letter from the applicant thanking the Committee for their support.

09.140 Response to Consultation

- a. **Wiltshire Council Enforcement Policy** –Cricklade Town Council response noted.
- b. **Wiltshire Council Development control** - Cricklade Town Council response noted.

09.141 High Street South – The issues raised at previous meeting had been addressed. The comments made in respect of the build out where tarmac was used were noted. It was **AGREED** to note the response from Highways regarding issues raised but to continue to press for the tarmac area to be changed to slabs via the Conservation Officer and Wiltshire Highways Authority.

09.142 High Street North traffic Management Scheme – Initial plans had been received from Mouchel Parkman and were displayed. It was **AGREED** that informal consultation with residents and businesses in all areas affected would be undertaken in January 2010. Assistant Town Clerk was requested to prepare letter for distribution.

09.143 High Street Car park – Assistant Town Clerk reported that a quote was awaited for site clearance and that the Conservation Officer had indicated that a further planning application to alter access for disabled may not be necessary. This was being pursued. It was **RESOLVED** that an Officer led application for funding to Area Board should be made for match funding up to £5000. It was noted that the District Council had previously allocated £10,000 to this project some years ago and we needed to ensure that all avenues for funding be sought..

09.144 Utilisation of Fairview Fields Car Park

Cllr Robertson requested clarification regarding the use of the car park in the light of recommendations from the Climate Change Working Party. Following discussion it was **AGREED** that as a Council we needed to formulate a Strategy for Car Parking within the Town to include, Tourism, Car Sharing, link with Bus Services etc., and to decide the best approach to the various areas designated for parking in the Town. Cllr Forrester agreed to update the Climate Change Action plan accordingly to reflect discussion.

09.145 Wiltshire 2026 – LDF Working Party submission on behalf of Cricklade Town Council had been circulated to members. It was **AGREED** that this could now be submitted as our response to the consultation.

09.146 Flooding Working Party to consider future arrangements

Cllr Chapman had stated that she wishes to resign from the Flooding Working Party as she feels it is not the best use of her time or of the office staff. She is however prepared to continue to assist in dealing with the relevant agencies and represent Cricklade Town Council on the Wiltshire Flood Working Group but only if the committee were happy for her to do so. She would continue to update members of progress via this committee as now. Following discussion this was **AGREED**. It was recognised that she had made a significant contribution to bringing the attention of Wiltshire Council to the flooding issues in Cricklade and members were happy for her to continue subject to reporting back and no commitment to expenditure. The structure of all Working Parties will be debated at next P & R meeting.

09.147 Report on actions from the last meeting.

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.

09.103 Write to Planning Officer regarding non request for Sec 106 Contribution to Open Space on Planning Application. Reply received and noted. **CLEARED**

PQT
12.10.09 Contact Highways and Westlea regarding 24 hour parking at Bath Road/Heberden House. Email parking services 19/10/09. A reply had been received confirming ownership by Westlea Housing which will enable us to follow up with them. Meeting 16/11/09 with Westlea. We are monitoring usage for 2 weeks and then refer back to them. Doubtful if any action possible. Also raised re-lining – they have no budget for this. WC Highways are considering completing work for us. Provision of a disabled space not possible - complainant informed. The Assistant Town Clerk reported that the monitoring of the spaces had produced no evidence that could take the matter forward. It was agreed this should be closed. **CLEARED.**

09.107 Climate Change – Arrange for actions via working party. Need to arrange further WP meeting.

PQT
2/11/09 Common Hill – Surface and foul water concerns in area. To raise with Thames Water and Planning Officer. Further action with planning officer 30/11/09 awaiting response. Mr Farmer advised. *Ongoing.*

09.115 (d) Arrange LDF meeting – Further meeting 7/12/09. See agenda item. **CLEARED.**

09.117 Calcutt St – Follow up School Transport Plans with Prior Park School and Meadow Park School. Write to Alan Feist regarding the implementation of the scheme and reasons for non-progression. Meeting with Prior Park School held 9/11/09. *Outstanding action*

09.121 Car Park – press notice issued, site visit and initial risk assessment completed, public liability insurance arranged. Contacted Conservation Officer for advice on disabled entrance and ramp awaiting response. Met with Highways regarding the entrance/exit proposals to be followed up formally. Contacted Highways re

signage 30/11/09, Black Horse meeting held quote to be obtained 8/12/09,
Ongoing.

- 09.114 Affordable Housing in The Fiddle – contact School Travel Plan advisor at WC regarding end of safe route and signage. Reply received further work required.
outstanding
- 09.129 (a) Planning Enforcement Policy Consultation – response submitted. **CLEARED.**
- 09.129 (b) Planning Development Review – response submitted. **CLEARED.**
- 09.129 (d) A419 resurfacing to support resurfacing – write to MPs and candidates.
Outstanding action

09.148 Working Party updates.

Car Park – nothing further to report.

LDF – nothing further to report.

Flooding – Cllr Chapman updated members on clearance of the ditches at allotment site to be undertaken by Community Service Team and that Richard Karn, Wilts Council had arranged for jetting in Gas Lane week commencing 22/12/09.

Climate Change – written update noted. A working party needs to be arranged.

The meeting closed at 8.12pm