

PLANNING CONSERVATION & TRANSPORT MEETING
Monday 25th January 2010
7.00 p.m. at Ockwells

Councillors present:

Cllr Mrs G Chapman – Chairman

Cllr B Beasley

Cllr B Atfield

Cllr Mrs A. Dentith

Cllr D Tetlow

Cllr T. Robertson

Cllr D Avenell,

Cllr L. Forrester

Wiltshire Cllr P. Colmer and

5 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 R Jones requested an update regarding cars that were parking on the cobbled area in the High Street and causing damage. The Assistant Town Clerk reported that advice had been sought from parking enforcement and this was awaited; further remedial utilities work in the vicinity was necessary following the High Street South traffic works which may repair the perceived damage. Signage changes at Sucé Place should be completed this week. He also reported that three incidents of cars driving into the squared build outs had been reported. The Chairman advised that we had only been made aware of one incident and would need more specific details if the matter was to be taken further. Mr C Morley stated that the grit on pavements following the adverse weather needed removing. The Assistant Town Clerk reported that the matter had already been raised with Highways and they were planning to visit this week.

MINUTES

09.170 Apologies for absence

Cllr Mrs M. Boulton; Cllr M. Dixon

09.171 Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda

None

09.172 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th January 2010 were signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true record.

09.173 Planning applications received from Wiltshire Council.

(a) N/09/02264/FUL
Mr G Case, 7 Common Hill, Cricklade SN6 6EZ
Erection of Single Rear and Front Extensions and Alterations
Following discussion it was RESOLVED to SUPPORT this application.

(b) N/09/02288/FUL Mr G Berry, 22 Hallsfield, Cricklade SN6 6LS Proposed Rear Extension
Following discussion it was RESOLVED to SUPPORT this application.
(c) N/09/02315/FUL Mr Hart, 48 Cherry Tree Road, Cricklade SN6 6ES Convert Garage to Exercise Room and Create Ramps for Disabled Access at the Oaks, Thames Lane
Following discussion it was RESOLVED to SUPPORT this application.
(d) N/09/02238/CLE Mr P A Jones, Oxhouse Farm, Cricklade SN6 6HZ Occupation of Agricultural Workers Dwelling Not in Compliance with Condition 3 of Permission No: N.94.0194.OL at The Bungalow, Oxhouse, Farm
Following discussion it was RESOLVED to OBJECT to this application. The original permission to build the Bungalow at Oxhouse Farm was granted on the very strict condition that it was only to be occupied by an agricultural worker. The applicant as part owner signed a binding agreement to this effect. Since the 28 th September 1999 the applicant has let the bungalow to a non agricultural worker contrary to this legally binding agreement of 27 th September 1994 and enforcement action should be requested for non compliance with a signed legal document. It was also RESOLVED to write to the Director of Planning and ask what steps were to be put in place to ensure this does not happen again.
(e)N/09/02311/FUL Ms Tracey Randall c/o Agent, Thornbury House Alterations to Garden Wall, Including Part-Realignment and Closing up of Pedestrian Access Calcutt Farm House
Following discussion it was RESOLVED to SUPPORT this application.
(f)N/09/02312/LBC Ms Tracey Randall c/o Agent, Thornbury House Alterations to Garden Wall, Including Part-Realignment and Closing up of Pedestrian Access
Following discussion it was RESOLVED to SUPPORT this application.

09.174 Planning Applications – to formally request call in of any appropriate applications.
There were no relevant applications.

09.175 Planning decisions received from Wiltshire Council.

N/09/01969/FUL	Mr Batten, 4 Abingdon Court Lane, Cricklade SN6 6BL Extensions to Side Cricklade Town Council Supported - Withdrawn
N/09/02086/FUL	Mr S Kular Meadow Park School Cricklade. Change of use from Offices to Flexible Class D1 and/or B1 use at The Old School, High Street, Cricklade. Cricklade Town Council Supported – Permission granted

09.176 Correspondence received and actions to take.

- a. **Wiltshire Council** – Planning application 09/01727/S73A The Gallons, Chelworth delayed referral to Northern Area Development Control meeting on 3rd Feb 2009. This was noted. The Chairman also reported that the planning application for 23 Common Hill Cricklade was also due to be decided at this meeting. It was agreed that Cllr Chapman would represent Cricklade Town Council at these meetings.
- b. **Wiltshire Council** – Planning application 00/00243/FUL The Fiddle, Cricklade. Notification of receipt of appeal had been received advising that written submissions were due by 11th February 2010. It was **AGREED** that this submission should be delegated to the Chairman and the Assistant Town Clerk. During a suspension of standing orders Cllr Colmer Wiltshire Councillor reported that there was a move from residents to seek an oral hearing. He had been advised that a written appeal was more winnable. Following discussion it was proposed by Cllr Atfield and seconded by Cllr Beasley that should Cricklade Town Council be requested by residents to support this approach we should do so. This was **RESOLVED** by 5 votes to 2. Cllr Colmer felt there were risks to this strategy and the residents should be informed.
- c. **Letter from resident** – A request for clarification of Cricklade Town Council procedures and policy in relation to planning applications had been received. The Assistant Town Clerk explained the background and following discussion it was **RESOLVED** a response should be sent explaining Cricklade Town Council procedures, responsibility in this area and that it was not felt necessary to make any changes. [Amendment agreed 15/2/2010 - The Town Council was already looking at possible changes in the way it communicates and this would be considered by Policy and Resources Committee] During a suspension of standing orders a member of the public pointed out that it was possible to have all Cricklade Town Council agendas emailed to them if they wished to know what was being discussed.

09.177 Flooding –

A written update from Richard Karn Flooding Engineer on the progress he had made identifying the areas requiring attention within the Town. This was noted. It was hoped that the schemes would be included in the County Council's priority schedule of works by the end of February 2010.

Several letters had been received from Parish Councils in the area regarding their exclusion by Wiltshire Council from the Operational Flooding Working Group set up following the demise of the North Wiltshire group. Cllr Chapman reminded members that this was an outstanding issue with our Area Board. A copy of the Area Board statement for the next meeting was circulated. It was **AGREED** that Cllr Chapman should continue to press for Town and Parish inclusion and to make a prepared statement to the Area Board on the matter and not accept closure of the issue. It was noted that a number of inaccuracies had been identified in the documentation already received about drainage systems in the area and the lack of local representation made this more likely. Cllr Robertson questioned the effectiveness of the Flood Warden Scheme as they were not necessarily best placed to know what problems existed as they were not part of Cricklade Town Council.

09.178 High Street Car Park Update.

The Assistant Town Clerk reported that progress on this project continues to be slow. The small grants application made prior to last meeting has, as agreed, been withdrawn.

The Conservation Officer has confirmed that if a barrier is to be erected then both full and listed building consent will be required. Guidance on the sort of barrier expected/acceptable has been requested from the Conservation Officer, but no response yet received. Also consulted with The Club on what is required. Contact with Tesco has been made but no response yet received. Highways authorisation cannot be given until work is due to commence and contractor known. Signage verbal permission to affix signs to The Club wall given.

Two quotes of the three requested for the work that was part of the small grants application were held. It was recommended that we go ahead and have ground area cleared before 31st March to prevent any delays in getting any work done during the summer. It was **RESOLVED** that we should contact the lowest quote and discuss work being completed as soon as possible. The Assistant Town Clerk to discuss the advantages of demolition of the boundary wall at this stage with the Contractor. During a suspension of standing orders a member of the public complained about the inconsiderate parking at the entrance to the Club and next to Tesco and requested something to be done about it.

09.179 High Street North Traffic Management Scheme –

The Assistant Town Clerk reported that 10 letters had been received, 20 written comments made in the comments book and over 40 callers had viewed the plans. A further drive to get businesses views on the scheme was being made this week as the closing date is 31st January.

09.180 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.
- 09.107 Climate Change – Arrange for actions via working party. Meeting proposed for 3rd Feb 2010.
- 09.117 Calcutt St – Waiting follow up on School Transport Plans from Prior Park School and Meadow Park School. Written to Alan Feast 19/1/10 regarding the implementation of the scheme and reasons for non-progression.
- 09.121 Car Park – Met with Highways regarding the entrance/exit proposals to be followed up formally. Contacted Highways re signage 30/11/09 details held waiting agreement, Small grants application withdrawn. Additional funding being pursued. See 09.178
- 09.141 High Street South – continue to press for build out to be finished in proper materials. Contacted Highways who have suggested looking again at the area after it has weathered and as part of High Street north work. It was **AGREED** that we should not accept that this may be done as part of next Highway measures and ask for an assurance that it is done. Also signage at bottom of High Street not effective.
- 09.144 Strategy for Car Parking within the town – to be referred to Working Party. **CLEARED**
- PQT 4.1.10 Pot holes in High Street North reported to Wiltshire Council. Parking on cobbles in High Street South and general enforcement issues – written to Parking Enforcement seeking clarification of responsibility. High St South 20 mph signage – this has been reported and should be addressed this week.
- 09.194 (a) Planning Enforcement Seminar – nominate Cllrs Robertson and Chapman to attend on 19th Jan. **CLEARED**
- 09.165 Wiltshire Council Speed Limit review – agreed comments submitted on 7/1/10 **CLEARED**

09.181 Working Party updates.

Car Park – nothing further to report.

LDF – nothing further to report.

Climate Change – A working party had been arranged for 3rd February.

The meeting closed at 8.16pm