

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning, Environment and Highways Committee held on
9th December 2019

Present Claire Andersen (acting Chair), Roanna Collis and Jim Gillett

Apologies Joanne Akeju

Absent Jane Hartley

101/19 OPEN FORUM - There no residents present

102/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND ANY WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CLERK –
There were no interests declared

103/19 The Minutes of the Meeting on 11th November 2019 were approved.

104/19 Highways

The central reservation on the A4 again remains uncut despite assurances that it would be cut last week. The Speed Indicator data again shows that the average speed is just under 30mph, and it was agreed that the clerk would ask WBC if it would be ok to place it in stealth mode by the zebra crossing. The continuing issues with the streetlights on the corner of Milestone Avenue were noted, and the clerk was asked to find out when the street works are likely to take place because the lack of light is a hazard for cyclists in particular. Cllr. Gillett said he had reported two blocked storm drains on Waingels Road, and is concerned that if it rains heavily, pedestrians will be soaked, and if the water then freezes, the road will be dangerous. The clerk is to follow this up with Wokingham.

105/19 Environment

The Committee considered the consultation on Strengthening Police Powers to Tackle unauthorised encampments, and the clerk was asked to submit the agreed responses.

106/19 Planning

a) **The following Applications were discussed (239)**

192957 Application for the proposed single storey side/rear extension, internal alterations, the insertion of 4 no. roof lights, following demolition of existing garden room at 2 Kilowna Close – no Parish Council comments

193019 Application for proposed erection of a detached garage at Acorns, Waingels Road – no Parish Council comment

193007 Application for the proposed erection of a single storey front extension to form porch, single storey rear extension, garage conversion to create habitable accommodation, plus internal alterations at 29 Gingells Farm Road – no Parish Council comment

192523 Application for the erection of a proposed single storey rear/side extension to enhance kitchen and living area and proposed conversion of existing attached store area to habitable space at 28 Charvil House Road (revised plans) – no Parish Council comment

193072 Application for proposed erection of a single storey rear extension including the insertion of 2no. rooflights, plus changes to fenestration at 8 Wenlock Edge – no Parish Council comment

193028 Application for the proposed erection of a two-storey side extension including garage conversion to create habitable accommodation, plus single storey rear extension at 8, The Hawthorns – This could not be discussed as no plans have yet been issued

- 193142 Application for proposed erection of a single storey rear extension to existing dwelling, including the insertion of 1no. rooflight at 42, Park View Drive North – no Parish Council comment
- b) The following Planning Application Approvals were noted
- 192745 Householder application for the proposed conversion of existing loft space to create habitable accommodation to include the erection of 1no. dormer and the insertion of 2no. roof lights to front, erection of 3no. dormers to rear following removal of existing chimney stack, internal alterations to existing dwelling at 21, East Park Farm Drive
- 192077 Application for the erection of single storey front, side and rear extensions to dwelling, following demolition of existing bay window, plus erection of detached double garage to front of dwelling at 38 Park View Drive North
- c) The following Planning Application Refusal was noted
- 191788 Full planning application for the proposed change of use of buildings and land from agricultural use to general industrial use plus erection of two additional buildings (part retrospective) at Newlands Farm
- d) The following Planning Application withdrawal was noted
- 192528 Application for the proposed erection of an attached garage to the side of the dwelling and conversion of existing integral garage to additional habitable accommodation (Retrospective) at 1a Milestone Crescent
- e) Feedback from the WBC Planning Training Session
- Cllr. Andersen found this training useful and fed back various statistics regarding planning applications. Because the Planning department is over-stretched, it was requested that Parishes provide as much detail as they can when commenting on an application to help the Planning officers.

Any other Planning business at the discretion of the Chairman

Items for Consideration

107/19 To Update the Objectives Paper

This was deferred in the absence of the Chair

The meeting closed at 9.06pm