

Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held on 1st February 2010 meeting commenced at 4.30 pm

Those present:

Chairman: Cllr Mrs H Evans
Cllrs Mrs M Hammon, M Hewitt, Mrs J Horwood, D Pepler, and R Slater.

Officer: Mrs J Holmes and Miss D Blackall

1365. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence received from Cllr M Bird

1366. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

1367. Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

1368. Minutes of the Planning Committee

The minutes of the Planning Committee held on 18th January 2010 were signed as a true record.

1369. Planning Applications

10/00049/FUL 53 Huntercombe Lane North, Burnham
Two storey side extension with first floor used as B1 office space and ground floor used as a car parking area.
The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION

10/00085/FUL Plot 7, Bottom Waltons Caravan Site, Burnham
Retrospective application for change of use of land to provide and extended amenity area plot 7.
The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION

10/00100/FUL Lent Rise House, Coulson Way, Burnham
Replacement two storey 60 bed residential care home for the elderly with ancillary car parking.
The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION

Cllr Mrs Hammon joined the meeting

10/00106/FUL 21c Green Lane, Burnham
Retention of Plot 1 with amendment to southern boundary (amendment to planning approval 07/01891/FUL).
The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION

1370. To receive decisions made by the District Council

09/01628/ful 34 Oxford Ave
Rear conservatory GRANTED

09/01535/TPO Huntercombe Manor Hospital, Huntercombe Lane South
Cedar – crown thin by 20% GRANTED

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09/01646/ful 32 Nursery Rd
2 storey side, single storey front and rear ext GRANTED

09/01648/ful 10 Hag Hill Lane
Det garage, front and side boundary walls, entrance gates and piers GRANTED

09/01679/ful 56 Chiltern Rd
Rear Conservatory GRANTED

Councillors were informed that the applications referring to The Feathers PH, Taplow Common Rd for illuminated and non illuminated pub signage had been sent to the Parish Council in error. South Bucks District Council has now agreed that the property is within Taplow Parish and all reference to it has been deleted from Burnham Parish Council records.

1371. To receive the information from Buckinghamshire County Council regarding the proposed extension to the loading bay at Jennery Lane, Burnham.

Councillors considered the letter from the County Council together with a letter from Burnham High St Association and objections received from residents of Penn House.

It was AGREED that the Clerk would write to the Council deprecating the suggested extension to the loading bay for the following reasons:

- The loading bay was created for the use of shops numbered 79 to 83 in the High St who were preventing from accessing their properties because of the road improvements and the installation of bollards in front of the shops carried out by the District Council.
- The existing use of the area by the Tesco supermarket vehicles is already causing problems with the sight lines for drivers travelling from the north of the High St to the South of the High St bearing left into Jennery Lane being affected.
- To increase the size of the loading bay would exacerbate the problem and drivers would encounter a blind spot when they manoeuvre out around the vehicle into oncoming traffic.
- A block of retirement properties is situated opposite the loading bay. There is concern at the safety of elderly persons who might be slow walking across the road. If they are crossing from the supermarket to Penn House behind a large vehicle they cannot see [or be seen by] traffic coming from the High St into Jennery Lane.
- There have been numerous complaints regarding the noise of vehicles using this area whilst undertaking deliveries. To widen the loading bay would encourage larger vehicles to park and thus create more noise.
- The constant use of the loading bay by the large vehicles is making it difficult for the smaller delivery vehicles servicing the other shops in the High St to find a parking space.
- The County Council has produced a draft parking policy and enforcement document. One of their enforcement policies states that
“The County Council’s parking control objectives include the need to:
 - *Minimise the use of vehicles in the busiest and congested areas at what*

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- experience and research shows to be the most appropriate times;*
- *Reduce the risk of collisions*
 - *Help the needs and requirements of residents, businesses/organisation and visitors*
 - *Improve traffic conditions*
 - *Regulate and control parking both on and off street.*
- The Parish Council content that the extension of the loading bay would be contrary to the draft policy.

The property now occupied by Tesco Stores has an access at the rear of the premises specifically designed for its loading and unloading purposes. This area should be utilised for its designated purpose, then the extended loading bay would not be required.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 5.05 pm

Date of next meeting: Monday 22nd February 2010 at 4.30 p.m.