

Watlington Parish Council

Parish Clerk: Kristina Tynan

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2015 AT 8PM IN THE WEST ROOM

Present Jeremy Bell (JB) - Chairman

Matt Reid (MR) Terry Jackson (TJ) Robin Wilson (RW)

Officer: Kristina Tynan

Members of the Public: 13

1. <u>Apologies for Absence</u>

Bob West, Jo Read.

2. <u>Minutes of the Meetings held on 04/08/2015 and 01/09/15 were accepted by Council on 8</u> September 2015

Resolved: That the minutes above be agreed as a correct record and that they be signed by the Chairman.

3. Declarations of Interest

P15/S0941/FUL Land adjacent to St Leonard's Church – Jeremy Bell declared a prejudicial interest in this application as he is a member of St Leonards PCC. He signed the 'Declaration of Interest' book and left the room for this item

P15/S2252/FUL 17 Cuxham Road Jeremy Bell declared an interest in this application as he is a personal friend of one of the residents who is objecting. He signed the 'Declaration of Interest' book and left the room for this item

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising other than agenda items.

5. To consider the following applications:-

P15/S2932/HH 1 Spring Lane, Watlington

Amendment to proved rear first-floor window. P15/S1786/HH: Rear two and single-storey extensions, erection of front and side porches and entrance lobby.

NO OBJECTION - UNANIMOUS

P15/S3001/LB 29 Brook Street, Watlington

Installation of new wood burning stove and chimney. Creation of opening for a new external door.

Vote: 3 in favour, 1 abstention.

NO OBJECTION

P15/S2927/HH 20 Stonor Green, Watlington

Single storey rear and side extension, insertion of roof lights, alterations to fenestration, construction of store to rear of garage.

NO OBJECTION - UNANIMOUS

6. <u>To consider the following amendments</u>

P15/S0941/FUL Land adjacent to St Leonard's Church, Prospect Place, Watlington Demolition of St Leonard's Church Hall, relocation of the existing car park and erection of two dwellings (one four bedroom rectory and one five bedroom market unit), and double garages, construction of access (car park and dwellings repositioned and formation of undeveloped buffer zone as shown on amended plans received 25th August 2015

Vote: 2 against, 1 in favour

OBJECTION

Scale of dwelling too large for the site. Design disappointing so close to the proximity of the most important building in Watlington. Losing an area of important open space. The parking seems insufficient for the needs of St Leonards Church especially for weddings and funerals.

WPC note the holding objection of the Countryside Officer who states that the width of the path is not sufficient and that there are unresolved access issues.

WPC would like to see a dialogue between the Watlington Environment Groups and the Church regarding the chalk stream which we note is both nationally and internationally rare as well as containing a diverse amount of wildlife that includes trout.

P15/S2252/FUL 17 Cuxham Road, Watlington

Proposed construction of 1 No 1 bedroom dwelling, landscaping, car parking, waste bin and cycle store, means of enclosure of private amenity space (As amended by drawings and amended Design and Access Statement accompanying Agents letter dated 21 August 2015

OBJECTION – UNANIMOUS

Unneighbourly, Bulk, Overbearing. Design not in the local vernacular of the Conservation Area. Overlooking into neighbouring properties. WPC note that covenants exist for Hurdlers Green and we are not sure if this would have an impact on the access to this development. The drawings do not accurately reflect the size and positioning of neighbouring properties. The plans are badly drawn and show the dormer on both sides of the building.

7. CIL Consultation

The committee noted the SODC response to the Examiners request and did not have any comments to make. Deadline for comments is 19/10/2015. This will be on the Full Council October Agenda.

8. Decisions

| <u>Application</u> | SODC Decision | WPC Recommendation |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| P15/S2325/LB The Cross | Listed Building Consent is GRANTED | No Objection |
| P15/S2618/LB Pilgrim Cottage | Listed Building Consent is GRANTED | No Objection |

| P15/S2605/HH and | Planning Permission is GRANTED | Objection |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| P15/2606/LB | | |
| End Lodge Access | | |
| Track to the Tower | | |
| P15/S2496/LB | Listed Building Consent is GRANTED | No Objection |
| Hampden House | | |
| Teashop | | |
| P15/S2303/LB | Planning Permission is GRANTED | No Objection |
| Granary High Street | | |

The committee noted the decisions above.

9. <u>Correspondence</u>

- 1) Planning Services Community Infrastructure Levy Further Public consultation **Noted above.**
- 2) DP Architects re Development at Ingham House- It was noted that they are asking SODC for pre-application advice on this proposed development.

10. Any Other Business

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.35PM