

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER 2011 AT 8PM
IN THE COMMUNITY OFFICE

Present:

Councillors:

Rhian Woods – Chairman
Charles Rowton-Lee – Vice-Chairman
Robert Barber
Nick Hancock
David Tindale
Harvey Batten

Officer:

Kristina Tynan

Members of the Public:

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1. Apologies for Absence
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2. Minutes of the Meetings held on 01/11/2011 were accepted by Council on 08/11/2011
Resolved: That these minutes were a correct record of this meeting and that they be signed by the Chairman.

3. Declarations of Interest
P11/E1628/LB and P11/E1610 - Blenheim House, 25 Church Street, Watlington – Rhian Woods declared a prejudicial interest in these applications as she works with the applicant as a contractor occasionally. She signed the ‘Declaration of Interest’ book and left the room for this item. These applications were then chaired by the Vice-Chairman.

4. Matters Arising
There were none.

5. To consider the following applications:-
P11/E1719/LB The Old Stables, Greenfield, Christmas Common
Removal of modern lean-to utility room and reinstatement of existing flintwork and brick; internal reconfiguration to provide a new utility space, removal of modern partitions and re-fenestration of south elevation.
NO OBJECTION - UNANIMOUS

P11/E1628/LB Blenheim House, 25 Church Street, Watlington
 Installation of solar photovoltaic (PV) panels on the south facing roof of garage/workshop.
NO OBJECTION - UNANIMOUS

P11/E161610 Blenheim House, 25 Church Street, Watlington
 Installation of solar photovoltaic (PV) panels on the south facing roof of garage/workshop.
NO OBJECTION - UNANIMOUS

P11/E1855 Barn Cottage, Howe Combe Farm, Howe Road, Watlington
 Single rear sun room extension.
Vote: 5 objections, 1 abstention
OBJECTION
The ridge height is contrary to SODC Design guidelines and will have an unneighbourly impact on dwellings on adjacent sites.

P11/E1808 13-15 Gorwell, Watlington
 Alterations to various windows and doors and replacement roofing, rendering, boundary treatment and landscaping.
NO OBJECTION - UNANIMOUS

P11/E1810 13-15 Gorwell, Watlington
 Single storey rear extension.
Vote: 5 in favour, 1 against
NO OBJECTION

P11/E1807 20 Watcombe Road, Watlington
 Erection of solar photovoltaic panels to garage and house roof.
Vote: 4 in favour, 2 abstentions
NO OBJECTION

6. Decisions

<u>Application</u>	<u>SODC Decision</u>	<u>Watlington PC Recommendation</u>
P11/E1516/LB 36 High Street Minor alterations to improve access and bathroom accommodation for disabled persons's use	Listed Building Consent is GRANTED	<i>No Strong Views WPC would support the SODC Conservation Officer's views</i>
P11/E1555 42 Couching Street Change of use of former retail showroom to form part of existing residential unit with no structural alterations	Planning Permission is GRANTED	<i>No Objection</i>

All decisions were noted.

7. Correspondence

1. Copy of letter from Mr A Beckett to SODC re Applications P11/E 1807-6 and P10/E 1871 –
Considered within discussion of the application .

2. Carter Jonas to CRL re Land at Chalgrove – **Noted.**

8. Any Other Business

Outstanding Enforcement Issues

EE11/041 - Marigold Cottage, Howe Hill - Tim Small is the SODC officer dealing with this issue. The owner is trying to get a planning application in to SODC but he has advised that he has been having real difficulties with the agents he has employed. Tim Small is in constant contact and is keeping tabs on the situation.

EE11/154 The Barn House, Watcombe Road, Watlington – Kim Langford is the officer dealing with this issue. It looks as though the fence is permitted development. She states that whilst the fence is not ideal, it is also not solid and will probably be covered by the hedge in time (which they can plant without any permission). It is likely that she will be closing the file on this but will write again when she has made a recommendation.

Planning Training – It was noted that Harvey Batten and Nick Hancock attended an OALC Planning Training Course today which they found very interesting. They stated that Neighbourhood Plans were mentioned and it was noted that this and the Localism Bill will be an agenda item for the January Strategy Meeting.

Meeting with John Howell regarding the Localism Bill – The Clerk is trying to arrange a meeting with him and the Planning Committee to discuss Planning Reforms in relation to the Localism Bill.

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.22PM