

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY 4 MARCH 2014 AT 8 PM
IN THE COMMUNITY OFFICE

Present:

Councillors:

Rhian Woods – Chairman
Robert Barber – Vice-Chairman
Nick Greaves
Neil Boddington
Alex Woodesdon – Co-opted Member

Officer:

Kristina Tynan

Members of the Public:

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1. Apologies for Absence
David Tindale, Bob West and Di Tolan.

2. Minutes of the Meetings held on 04/02/2014 were accepted by Council on 11/02/2014
Resolved: That these minutes are a correct record of this meeting and that they be signed by the Chairman.

3. Declarations of Interest
P14/S0160/FUL Webbs Yard, Cuxham Road, Watlington – Neil Boddington declared a pecuniary interest in this application as he is the Agent for this application. He signed the 'Declaration of Interest' book and left the room for this item.

P14/S0236/FUL Greenacres Farm, Howe Road, Watlington – Rhian Woods declared a Pecuniary interest in this application as she is the Architect for this application. She signed the 'Declaration of Interest' book and left the room for this item.

4. Matters Arising
There were no matters arising.

5. To consider the following applications:-
P14/S0160/FUL Webbs Yard, Cuxham Road, Watlington
Replacement of permanent mobile home with two-bedroom bungalow

It was agreed unanimously to put in a view of
NO STRONG VIEWS – However since the previous application was accepted on Appeal we recognise that in general planning terms this is likely to be approved. However in the light of the recent severe flooding in Watlington and the proximity of this proposed dwelling to the outflow streams of water from the Watlington catchment and its location in an established flood zone we urge SODC to look very carefully into the flood risk associated with this application.

P14/S0434/FUL 78 Hill Road, Watlington
Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of two 5 bedroom detached dwellings with relocation of vehicular access and below ground parking.

The meeting was adjourned to allow the objectors and proposer to speak to the committee.

The meeting was then reconvened.

OBJECTION UNANIMOUS

Overdevelopment, Overbearing, too close to the boundary, too deep, too high. Loss of privacy and enjoyment of amenity for neighbouring properties. We would like to ensure that the Countryside Officers are consulted thoroughly especially on the back end of the plot on which there is no current proposal.

P14/S0236/FUL Greenacres Farm, Howe Road, Watlington
Conversion of existing building to provide one small holiday apartment. Provision of bin and bike storage, amenity space, parking and landscaping. (Amendment to planning permission P13/S2915/FUL)

The meeting was adjourned to allow the proposer to speak to the committee.

The meeting was then reconvened

NO OBJECTION – UNANIMOUS

P14/S0258/O 32 Cuxham Road, Watlington
Outline application for erection of a new dwelling (Retention of existing)

NO OBJECTION - UNANIMOUS

However given that this site is within the Conservation Area we were surprised that an outline application was permitted in this instance.

P14/S0459/HH 70 Hill Road, Watlington
Demolition of detached garage and erection of single storey side and rear extension.
NO OBJECTION - UNANIMOUS

6. Decisions

<u>Application</u>	<u>SODC Decision</u>	<u>WPC Recommendation</u>
P13/S3972/HH Dumble Dore, Howe Road	Planning Permission is GRANTED	<i>No objections</i>
P13/S3717/HH 7 Watcombe Road	Planning Permission is GRANTED	<i>No Objection</i>

The decisions above were noted.

7. Correspondence

- 1) Robert Vickery Hill Farm – query regarding obtaining planning permission – **This was discussed and it was agreed that we are unable to make any comments on this and that we direct him to speak to SODC.**
- 2) SODC re conversion of 30 Hill Road into 2 dwellings, new numbering – **Noted.**
- 3) Adrian Duffield – changes to the Planning System – **Noted.**

8. Planning Award

To be discussed in Confidential Session.

9. Any Other Business

Lys Mill – RW reported that there is not much to report but that a Highways response has now been received following their traffic surveys and they state they have no objection to the scheme.

Planning Notices – A letter has been sent to Angie Paterson and Paula Fox on this issue. (This was agreed at February Full Council)

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.50PM AND WENT INTO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION TO DISCUSS THE PLANNING AWARD.

After discussion in Confidential session the following was agreed :

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL: That as we do not have nominations to recommend an award that we do not present a Planning Award for 2014. The two nomination we have received will be kept on file for discussion next year on the Planning Award.

End of Meeting : 10.55pm