

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SONNING PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 22 APRIL 2015 AT
7.00PM IN THE PAVILION, POUND LANE, SONNING.**

PRESENT: Pat Doyle (Chairman), Anthony Farnese, Ian Runnalls. Lesley Bates (Clerk).

APOLOGIES: Apologies were received from Mr Morrison.

AGENDA

- a) Present.
- b) Apologies for Absence
- c) Declaration of Interest
- d) Minutes of 7 April 2015 to approve.
- e) Updates.
- f) Holme Park (RRFC) (F/2015/0709). Erection of 6 15m high galvanised steel columns with floodlighting to serve existing rugby pitch and training area following the removal of existing 8 10m high steel columns and lamp fittings. To agree comments. Deadline 22/04/15.
- g) 6 Pound Lane (F/2015/0708). Erection of single storey rear extension to link garden room with main residence. To agree comments. Deadline 30/04/15.
- h) 4 Thames Terrace (F/2015/0762). Erection of single storey rear extension following the demolition of existing WC block at rear of property. To agree comments. Deadline 30/04/15.
- i) Conservation Area Assessment a) Update.
- j) Any matters considered urgent by the Chairman.
- k) Date of the Next Meeting.

1436. DECLARATION OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS.

There were none. The Chairman welcomed those present.

1437. MINUTES.

The Minutes, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

1438. UPDATES.

The Chairman said that there were several new applications, one for the Malt House (change of windows), one for 32 Sonning Meadows and the second phase for the Great House. All had taken pre-application advice. The application for an outbuilding at 7 Old Bath Road had been refused due to the height being more than 2.5 metres. The Chairman would be attending a meeting with Lafarge on 23 April, This had been set up on the request of OCC to keep interested parties updated on the progress of the latest gravel proposals. There had been 76 conditions attached to the planning permission and these needed to be satisfied, although they had been agreed between OCC and the developer. The anticipated start date for the area to be prepared, including stripping off the top soil, was January 2016. The number of lorries involved in removing the soil was in addition to the number calculated to be used during gravel extraction. The Chairman had checked if planning permission was required for extending the safety netting. As it would exceed 4m planning was required and this would delay the S106 funding for the safety netting until planning approval was granted. A drawing and specification would be required.

1439. HOLME PARK (RRFC) (F/2015/0709).

The Chairman had spoken to the adjoining neighbour who had no objections, the spread of the lights was far enough away, on the practice pitch, not to bother him. Following discussion it was agreed to say that SPC supported such sporting initiatives.

1440. 6 POUND LANE (F/2015/0708).

The Chairman said that the existing property was fairly small with one bedroom plus a smaller room. The proposal would incorporate the existing garden room by way of a small extension and would improve the accommodation. Following discussion it was agreed to say no comment.

1441. 4 THAMES TERRACE(F/2015/0762).

The Chairman had been made aware that the plans were inaccurate, the proposal was to demolish a W.C. block, half of which was in the ownership of the neighbouring property (3 Thames Terrace) and was currently used as a utility area. The plans also, incorrectly, showed this W.C. as being in the applicant's ownership. Following discussion it was agreed to strongly object to the proposal as it stood. It was contrary to CP3, a, which said that proposals should be without detriment to the adjoining landowner, and f, which stated that proposals should integrate with their surroundings (especially existing dwellings).

1442. CONSERVATION AREA ASSESSMENT

The Chairman said that he had given Mr Thorpe a copy of the comments made by the Society. Mr Thorpe would check them out and include the appropriate ones. Once he had prepared the finished document he would present it to WBC and provide SPC with a copy. WBC would add any maps that were needed, free of charge, and carry out the public consultation. WBC would also provide fifty copies of the final approved document.

1443 MATTERS CONSIDERED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN.

There were no urgent matters.

1444 DATE OF THE OF THE NEXT MEETING. The next meeting would be held on Tuesday May 5 at 7.00pm due to the bank holiday.

Signed.....Dated.....