

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SONNING PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 2 MAY 2017 AT 6.00PM
THE PAVILION, POUND LANE, SONNING.**

PRESENT: Mr A E Farnese (Chairman), Mr T Fisher, Mr P Morison. Mrs L Bates (Clerk),
1 Visitor.

APOLOGIES: Mr I Runnalls (Unwell). The Chairman asked for the Council's best wishes to
Mr Runnalls be recorded.

AGENDA

- a) Present.
- b) Apologies for Absence
- c) Declaration of Interest
- d) Minutes of 19 April 2017 to approve.
- e) Updates.
- a) Inniscarra 15 Holmemoor Drive (170892). Householder application for proposed erection of front and rear single storey extensions, front and rear two storey extensions and conversion of existing loft to provide additional habitable accommodation. To agree comments. Deadline 04/05/17
- f) August Field (170894). Application to vary condition 2 of planning consent F/2013/0140 for the erection of 4 no dwellings with gardens parking and improved access following demolition and removal of existing dwelling and outbuildings. Condition 2 relates to the approved plan numbers, the new plan proposes changes of the appearance of plots 1-3 and move the parking for plot 1 closer to the property. To agree comments.
- g) Estoril 9 Old Bath Road (171053). Certificate of lawfulness for the proposed erection of a single storey rear extension, following removal of existing conservatory. To agree comments. Deadline 20/04/17
- h) Charfield Cottage Charvil Lane (170895). Householder application for the proposed erection of a two storey side extension to dwelling, to include a dormer extension, following demolition and removal of existing single storey and part catslide roof. To agree comments. Deadline 02/05/17
- i) Land Adjacent to Model Farm Cottages – Appeal Hearing 23 May 2017 10.00am. To agree arrangements.
- j) Conservation Area Assessment.
- k) Any matters considered urgent by the Chairman.
- l) Date of the Next Meeting.

1783 DECLARATION OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS.

There were no declarations. The Chairman welcomed all those present.

1784 MINUTES. ,

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

1785 UPDATES.

The Chairman said that several applications had been approved, including Reading Blue Coat School (170118), this was to increase the numbers of pupils and was disappointing and of some concern. Also approved was 65 Pound Lane (170136), The Old School House (170184), Willowmere Bath Road (170093), Fairlawn Thames Street (170550), 11 Glebe Lane (170575), Readingensians (170580). Application 170301, Land Adjacent to Manor House Thames Street, had been withdrawn

1786 INNISCARRA (170892).

The Chairman said that the original proposal was to significantly extend the existing property, effectively making it three storeys high. However an onsite visit revealed that the existing building had been demolished and it was being rebuilt. There was some confusion as it was not clear from the plans, what was new and what had been previously approved. However it became clear that the proposal was to extend the garage slightly to enable the heat equipment to be installed. Following discussion it was agreed to comment on the demolition, which did not appear to have planning permission.

1787 AUGUST FIELD (170894)

Following discussion it was agreed to say the Council could find no reason to object.

1788. ESTORIL (171053).

Mr Fisher said that this was to replace a conservatory with a similar sized extension. Following discussion it was agreed to say the Council could find no reason to object

1789 CHARFIELD COTTAGE CHARVIL LANE (170895).

Mr Morrison said that the proposal was to demolish an existing, very basic, single storey side extension and to replace with a two storey extension. The immediate neighbour would not be affected. Following discussion it was agreed to say the Council could find no reason to object.

1790. CONSERVATION AREA ASSESSMENT.

The document became effective on 19 April without being called in. WBC had asked the printers for a price for a smaller run of copies

1791. MATTERS CONSIDERED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN.

The Chairman said that SODC had consulted WBC regarding the Great House proposal for a temporary (1 year) use of land as an off-site car park, and WBC had sought Sonning's views. The Chairman was concerned about the coach regularly exiting from the Great House onto Thames Street at a very busy juncture. There was also concern about the potential for pedestrians to prefer walking to and from the car park as opposed to waiting for the coach service to and from the car parking area. The pavement from Sonning Bridge ran out once it reached the French Horn Hotel, and although there was a short run of pavement to the front of Orchard House, it did not extend as far as the proposed car park site. This would make the proposal unsustainable. Following discussion it was agreed to submit the above comments.

Appeal hearing – Land Adjacent to Model Farm Cottages. The Chairman and Mr Fisher would agree times to attend this separately. The Clerk would copy all comments made by SPC on this proposal to the Chairman and Mr Fisher in order for them to agree any further comments to be made at the hearing.

1792. DATE OF THE OF THE NEXT MEETING. The next meeting would be held on Wednesday 17 May at 6.00pm.

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