

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SONNING PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT
7.00PM THE PAVILION, POUND LANE, SONNING.**

PRESENT: Ian Runnalls (Chairman), Anthony Farnese, Trefor Fisher, Peter Morrison. Lesley Bates (Clerk). No Visitors.

APOLOGIES: There were no apologies.

AGENDA

- a) Present.
- b) Apologies for Absence
- c) Declaration of Interest
- d) Minutes of 17 August 2015 to approve.
- e) Updates.
- f) Sonning Golf Club (150098). Outline application for the erection of 17 dwellings with associated highway works, public open space and landscaping. (Access and layout to be considered). To agree comments. (Deadline 01/09/2015).
- g) 15 Sonning Meadows (152290). Prior approval of the erection of a single storey rear extension, which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 4.75 metres, for which the maximum height would be 4.0 metres and the height of the eaves 3.0 metres. To agree comments. (Deadline 04/09/15).
- h) 2 Segrave Close Sonning (152012). Erection of a single storey rear extension to dwelling to form an orangery, and the erection of a white PVCu verandah to rear of dwelling. To agree comments. (Deadline 15/09/15).
- i) 9 Glebe Lane Sonning (152000). Proposed erection of single storey front and rear extensions to dwelling. To agree comments. (Deadline 15/09/15).
- j) Conservation Area Assessment a) Any Update.
- k) Any matters considered urgent by the Chairman.
- l) Date of the Next Meeting.

1487. DECLARATION OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS.

Mr Morrison said that, as member of the Sonning Golf Club, he had an interest, but it was agreed that this was not a prejudicial interest.

1488. MINUTES.

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

1489. UPDATES.

There were no updates.

1490. SONNING GOLF CLUB (150098).

The Chairman referred to the previous application at the Golf Club for two semi-detached dwellings, which the committee had objected to, particularly as it was located in the Countryside. This had now gone to appeal. The current application was also in the Countryside and residents were concerned about the proposal. The proposal was to create a new entrance onto Pound Lane to access the 17 new dwellings. A previous application to put an entrance in the same position had been turned down by WBC and, when refusing the proposal, had said that the development would have a detrimental effect on the area, did not maintain existing, essential, trees and lacked sufficient justification. The scheme did not comply with CP1 and CP3 and section 7 (requiring good design) of the

National Planning Policy Framework. Reasons given to refuse the semi-detached cottages included 'erosion of the rural character, consolidation of residential development, urbanising impact, contrary to CP1, CP2 and CP3, CC03, TB21 and failed to achieve the intentions of the Borough design Guide (sections 4 and 8.). Following the felling of a large Oak tree in the same position WBC had put a TPO on the whole hedge from the boundary with 101a Pound Lane round to the Golf Club entrance in Duffield Road. Following discussion it was agreed to object to the proposal for the above reasons and that it was outside the settlement area, in the Countryside, inappropriate development etc., and that it was on a busy part of Pound Lane, it would generate as much as 34 additional vehicles, plus utility vehicles, lack of public transport and pedestrian access to shops/facilities.

1491. 15 SONNING MEADOWS (152290).

Following discussion it was agreed to say no comment.

1492. SEGRAVE CLOSE (152012).

Following discussion it was agreed to say no comment.

1493. 9 GLEBE LANE (152000)

This was a semi-detached dwelling and the Chairman had discussed the proposal with the adjoining neighbour. The neighbour had pointed out that the drawing was incorrect as the boundary was drawn incorrectly and indicated that part of the neighbour's property belonged to 9 Glebe Lane. The neighbour had pointed out the boundary wall had been built entirely within his property. It was agreed to comment on this and say that the plans should be corrected before the application was determined.

1494. CONSERVATION AREA ASSESSMENT

There was no update but the Clerk would check with Mr Thorpe.

1495. MATTERS CONSIDERED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN.

Mr Farnese reported that a large branch had fallen into the school playground from a tree on land belonging to the neighbour. The tree officer had given permission for it to be felled. Eddie Napper had produced maps and deeds relating to the ownership of the land. WBC had tried to unblock the drain in Liguge Way but this had been unsuccessful.

1496. DATE OF THE OF THE NEXT MEETING. The next meeting would be held on Wednesday 16 September at 7.00pm (since postponed to Monday 21 September).

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