

**Minutes of a Meeting of Little Chalfont Parish Council Planning Committee
Held at the Village Library on Tuesday 26 May 2009 at 7.30pm.**

Present: Cllr B Drew, Cllr L Hunt, Cllr C Ingham (Chair) and Cllr G Smith

In Attendance: Mrs K Sterling (Assistant Clerk)

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr M Dale, Cllr C Gibbs, Cllr A Tate and Cllr F Wilkinson
2. **Minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on Tuesday 05 May 2009:** These were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
3. **Suspension of standing orders enabling members of the public to speak:** Not applicable
4. **Declarations of interest:** Cllr C Ingham lives opposite 163 Amersham Way.
5. **To approve and note items suggested for Any Other Business (item 12):** The following was agreed for discussion under item 12: (i) Arrangements for Cllr D Phillips to speak to the Committee on 16 June 2009, (ii) Councillors visiting applicants or neighbours, (iii) Dialogue with District or County Councillors during a Planning Meeting
6. **To consider the following applications:**

Application number and Address	Summary of proposed Works	Recommendation
CH/2009/0511/FA Willow Trees Park Grove Little Chalfont HP8 4BG	Demolition of existing extensions and detached garage, erection of a part two storey, part single storey front extension, single storey side and rear extensions and part two storey, part single storey side/rear extension incorporating double garage	No Objection
CH/2009/0477/FA 163 Amersham Way Little Chalfont HP6 6SG	Single storey rear extension	No Objection
CH/2009/0482/FA Dorwood 3 Appleton Close Little Chalfont HP7 9QQ	Single storey extension to south of bungalow	If permitted, we recommend that the terms of the permission ensure that the extension will be used only for purposes ancillary to and connected with the use of the main house, and that it will not be used as a separate dwelling. We note that

		this plot is surrounded on two sides by the Green Belt. A development of this substantial size should be well screened from the Green Belt land to the west, from which it could be visible.
CH/2009/0587/FA Little Warren Burtons Lane Little Chalfont HP8 4BS	Single storey side extension	No Objection
CH/2009/0471/FA Building 29-6 The Grove Centre White Lion Road Little Chalfont HP7 9LL	Erection of porch to existing door on rear elevation of building No.29	No Comment
CH/2009/0530/FA 5 Westwood Close Little Chalfont HP6 6RP	Single storey front/side/rear extension	The Parish Council objects. The objection we raised to application CH/2008/1893/FA, that the plans as submitted would not allow maintenance or repair to be carried out on part of the existing party wall of the neighbouring garage, does not seem to have been addressed.
CH/2009/0540/FA Magnolias Long Walk Little Chalfont HP8 4AW	Replacement two storey dwelling with integral garage (amendment to planning permission CH/2008/1748/FA)	No Objection
CH/2009/0549/FA Sharlands 2 Beechwood Avenue Little Chalfont HP6 6PH	First floor side rear extension and single storey rear extension	The Parish Council objects. The first storey part of the side extension would come close to the neighbouring house causing visual coalescence of a kind not characteristic of the street scene. This would be significantly detrimental to the character and appearance of the area.

7. **To receive decisions of Chiltern District Council's Planning Committee:** An updated list was circulated.

8. To receive appeal notices and decisions:

- (i) CH/2008/0669/FA and CH/2008/1186/FA (Willow Trees, Park Grove) - both appeals dismissed
- (ii) CH/2008/1191/FA (Land adjacent to 9 Cumberland Close and rear of 154 White Lion Road) – appeal dismissed
- (iii) CH/2008/0420/FA (Thatched House and Little Thatch, Cokes Lane) – appeal date 27th May 2009, 10am. It was agreed that Little Chalfont Parish Council had already made our views known and there was no need for anyone to attend.

9. Licensing: None

10. Enforcement cases:

- (i) The Assistant Clerk summarised the content of a letter dated 19 May which the Clerk had written to Mrs T Francis, Principal Planning Officer, on various enforcement issues.
- (ii) Although more properly a Highways issue for discussion at Council meetings, the issue of ‘A’ boards was briefly considered. The new turf on the corner of Station Approach has an ‘A’ board erected on it and the Clerk is to ask that this be removed. The Clerk is also to progress the removal of The Cape ‘A’ Board and confirm who owns the land. It was also noted that a local artist often puts up ‘A’ Boards to advertise his Open House. The Clerk will be asked to take appropriate action.
- (iii) 122 Elizabeth Avenue – The Committee expressed concern about cars driving across the pavement because the property is located on the corner of Westwood Drive. It was agreed that the Clerk should send a letter to the Highways Department, with a copy to the Chiltern District Council Enforcement Department.

11. Burtons Wood: the Clerk has received a reply from the Open Spaces Society and our obligations with respect to the land are not clear. It was agreed to put this on the agenda for the next Planning meeting on the 16th June to discuss in more detail.

12. Any other business:

- (i) It was agreed to accept Cllr Don Phillips’ kind offer to address the Committee at a private training session at 6.30pm on Tuesday 16 June.
- (ii) The Committee noted that it is for the individual ward member to decide in each case whether to visit an applicant and/or the neighbours. There is no obligation to do so.
- (iii) The Chairman will draft and propose to the main Council a formula to provide for dialogue with District or County Councillors who attend meetings in the public seats.

13. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 16 June 2009 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Signed..... Date.....