

Minutes of a Meeting of Little Chalfont Parish Council Planning Committee
Held in the Villager Hall, Cokes Lane, Little Chalfont
Tuesday 24 July 2012 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr B Drew; Cllr J Hinkly; Cllr M Parker (Chairman*); Cllr V Patel; Cllr D Rafferty.

In attendance: Mrs K Sterling (Assistant Clerk).

Members of the Public: Mr R Funk; Mrs S Keighley; Mr L Poole; Mr G Simm; Mr R Woolston.

*Cllr Drew announced that, following the resignation of Cllr Dear, Cllr Parker had agreed to chair the meeting.

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Apologies were received from Cllr L Hunt.
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 03 July 2012:** These were approved as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.
- 3. Suspension of standing orders enabling members of the public to speak:** It was agreed that the Chairman should suspend standing orders. Mr R Woolston from rg&p outlined the features of his client's proposals to develop the vacant site at Chenies Parade and the associated proposals for improving parking in the Village centre. Reinstating standing orders Cllr Parker thanked Mr Woolston for his contribution.
- 4. Declarations of interest:** Cllr Rafferty declared an interest in application CH/2012/0987/FA because he is a former employee of GE.
- 5. Approval and noting of items suggested for Any Other Business:** The following items were approved and noted
 (i) *CE/L/HK/PL9/95 TPO No 3 of 2012, Land to the east side of Burtons Lane, Little Chalfont (known locally as The Donkey Field)* (ii) *Re-allocation of roads to Council members for review of planning applications*
- 6. Planning Applications:** Cllr Parker briefed the Committee on written comments provided by Cllr Hunt

Application number and address	Summary of Proposed Works	Little Chalfont Parish Council Recommendations
CH/2012/1019/FA Pollards Wood Nightingales Lane Little Chalfont HP8 4SL	Formation of hardstanding required for the woodland management of Pollards Wood (retrospective)	No Objection
CH/2012/0987/FA Little Pollards Nightingales Lane Little Chalfont HP8 4SN	Demolition of existing garages, replacement garage and associated hardstanding	No Objection
CH/2012/0965/FA Facings Harewood Road Little Chalfont HP8 4UA	Two storey front and side extensions, alterations to fenestration details in existing dwelling and laying of additional hardstanding	No Objection
CH/2012/0935/FA 1 Westwood Drive Little Chalfont HP6 6RL	Part single storey, part two storey side/front extension, laying of hardstanding and alterations to openings	No Objection
CH/2012/0836/FA Burtons House Burtons Lane	First floor side extension and single storey rear infill extension	No Objection

Little Chalfont HP8 4BA		
CH/2012/0848/FA Ground Floor Nash House Repton Place White Lion Road Little Chalfont HP7 9LP	Change of use of ground floor from B1 (office) use to D1 (health clinic) use	No Objection. However the Council is concerned about the potential increase in traffic in and out of White Lion Road because of the Change of Use.
CH/2011/60005 Amersham Depot London Road East Amersham	Construction and Operation of Waste Transfer Station – further documents have been supplied.	The Council have already objected to this application and have no further comments to make.
CH/2012/0839/FA 13 Chenies Parade Little Chalfont HP7 9PH	Single storey rear extension (retrospective)	No Objection
Certificate of Lawfulness		
CH/2012/0961/SA 34 Beechwood Close Little Chalfont HP6 6QX	Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to a hip-to-gable roof extension, a rear dormer window and the insertion of a roof light within the front roof slope	No Comment

- 7. Decisions of Chiltern District Council's Planning Committee:** Note was taken of one recent decision.
- 8. Appeal notices and decisions:** None
- 9. Licensing applications**
- I. Applications – none.
 - II. To consider the contents of an e-mail and attachments dated 13 July 2012 from Ian Snudden, Environmental Health Officer, CDC, inviting comments by 8 October on the draft Statement of Principles that requires review every three years under the Gambling act 2005 (e-mail circulated 17 July 2012):– The Planning Committee agreed to make no comment.
 - III. To consider the contents of a further e-mail from Ian Snudden dated 16 July, regarding the draft street trading policy. Responses due by 8 October 2012. (e-mail circulated 17 July 2012.):– The Planning Committee agreed to make no comment. The Clerk was asked to seek clarification on how roads are designated as requiring consent.
 - IV. To receive Ben Coakley's 18 July e-mail regarding the consultation on revisions to CDC's licensing team's Taxi Policy:– The Planning Committee agreed to make no comment.
- 10. Chiltern District Council Core Strategy - Delivery Development Plan Document (DDPD):**The Council noted receipt of a letter dated 3 July from Graham Winwright, Temporary Planning Policy Manager, CDC, outlining the anticipated procedure for the development of this document. Towns and Parishes are asked to indicate if they would like to submit suggestions and, if so, initial thoughts would be required by the end of September. The Planning Committee agreed to discuss and decide what response to give at the next full Council meeting scheduled for September. In the meanwhile, Cllr Drew will feed back information at the next Planning Committee meeting after he has discussed this topic with Nick Rose at a meeting scheduled for 9th August.

- 11. To note receipt of a letter and attachments dated 17 July 2012 from R Woolston of rg&p architecture. This is about its client’s proposals to develop the vacant site at Chenies Parade and associated proposals for improving parking in the Village centre:** The vacant site at Chenies Parade has been derelict for some time and is considered to be an eyesore. The site is designated by Chiltern District Council for parking only, but the current owner will not allow this use. The proposal included some commercial use – retail or office, neither of which the Committee saw as current needs – eight residential flats and six public parking spaces. The Committee accepted that if rg&p’s proposal were to be approved the site would certainly look better than now, albeit that there was some concern about the visual impact of a further three storey building in the Parade. However, the opportunity for more extensive public parking provision would be lost. The proposed additional parking at the car park in Cokes Lane has some merit but would not necessarily help the parking issues on Chenies Parade. Also the idea of implementing parking meters on the Parade has been raised before and there was significant opposition from members of the public. In summary the Parish Council is not supportive of the current rg&p proposal.
- 12. Donkey Field Site Open Space:** As yet no response has been received from the Senior Planning Officer, as she is awaiting legal advice.
- 12. Any Other Business:**
- (i) *CE/L/HK/PL9/95 TPO No 3 of 2012, Land to the east side of Burtons Lane, Little Chalfont (known locally as The Donkey Field)* – the list of trees to be given a TPO order needs to be compared to the original list
 - (ii) *Re-allocation of roads to Council members for review of planning applications* – Cllr Rafferty kindly agreed to take on all the roads that were previously allocated to Cllr Dear.
- 13. Date of next meeting:** Tuesday 14 August 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Cllr Parker gave apologies for his absence from this meeting.

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