

**Minutes of a Meeting of Little Chalfont Parish Council Planning Committee
Held at the Library on Tuesday 03 May 2011 at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllr B Drew; Cllr C Ingham (Chairman); Cllr G Smith; Cllr M Dear; Cllr P Martin; Cllr V Patel

In Attendance: Mrs K Sterling (Assistant Clerk).

Members of Public: Cllr D Phillips (CDC Councillor); Mr N Hamilton; Ms V Hamilton; Mr T Knight; Mr M Arnold; Mr I Golton; Mr J Vincent; Ms M Eldred; Ms S Unitt; Mr C Unitt; Mr M Turnbull; Mr M Whiteley; Mr R Tovell; Mr D Stammers; Ms K Stammers; Mrs S Christie; Mr P Gray; Mr A Harrop; Mr A Christie, E Hawthorn; M Hawthorn; Mr P Davies and Mr Wright.

- 1 Apologies for absence:** Cllr M Dale; ; Cllr L Hunt;
- 2 Approval of the minutes of the 13 April 2011:** These were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- 3 Suspension of standing orders enabling members of the public to speak:** The Chairman suspended standing orders and a number of residents from Linfields and environs spoke in opposition to a proposal by Vodafone/O2 to install a base station on the Cokes Lane verge adjacent to Linfields. In particular, they objected to the loss of amenity which would be caused by such a large and high installation of industrial appearance in the tranquil residential environment, the cluttered appearance it would give to its small site, distraction to drivers and lack of parking space to service the installation. There were also health and safety concerns. It was suggested that better sites might be found in woodland, at the present telephone exchange, or at Challoners School. Thanking members of the public for their contribution the Chairman reinstated standing orders.
- 4 Declarations of interest:** Cllr Ingham expressed an interest in application CH/2011/0390/FA because he lives in the same road
- 5 Any Other Business(i)** Waste Transfer Site on London Road
- 6 To consider the following applications:**

| Application number and address | Summary of Proposed Works | Little Chalfont Planning Committee Recommendation |
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| CH/2011/0390/FA 41 Church Grove Little Chalfont HP6 6SJ | Single storey front extension to link dwelling with existing garage, single storey side bay window and single storey extension to existing garage | The Parish Council is concerned that the proposed extension, and particularly its high pitched roof, will overbear on the very nearby bungalow next door at 86 Amersham Road. Not having visited number 86 the Council is unable to say whether this problem is serious enough to warrant an objection, but draws the attention of the LPA to its concern. |
| CH/2011/0503/FA Tara Long Walk Little Chalfont HP8 4AW | Roof extension over existing single storey attached garage, incorporating front and rear dormer windows, and replacement roof tiles over existing roof | No Objection |

7 To consider the following Certificates of Lawfulness

| Application number and address | Summary of Proposed Works | Little Chalfont Planning Committee Recommendation |
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| CH/2011/0523/SA Westwood Park (Part) Chenies Avenue Little Chalfont | Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to the installation of playground equipment | No comment |
| CH/2011/0533/SA Beginn 2 Latimer Close Little Chalfont HP6 6QS | Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to the erection of a single storey side/rear extension | No comment |

8 To receive decisions of Chiltern District Council's Planning Committee: these were distributed

9 To receive appeal notices and decisions: (i) CH/2010/1794/FA — 44 Elizabeth Avenue, Amersham, HP6 6QG - Part two storey/part single storey side/rear extension, single storey front extension and formation of hardstanding area for parking to front of property served by new vehicular access; (ii) CH/2010/1514/FA – Woodcote, Loudhams Wood Lane, HP8 4AR – New roof canopy to front elevation, two dormer windows in north east side elevation and erection of canopy in rear garden – **appeal allowed**; (iii) CH/2010/1613/FA – Silverdale, Long Walk, HP8 4AN - First floor extension above existing bungalow with two storey front and rear extensions to form two storey dwelling and single storey side extension – **appeal allowed**

10 Licensing applications: None

11 Enforcement: None

12 Pre-con 19373 – Vodafone/O2 Base Station on the corner of Linfields: The Chairman emphasised that the company was conducting a preliminary consultation with local bodies, and that this was not yet a planning application. If in due course an application was made, neighbours would be consulted in the normal way. District Councillor Phillips urged residents to respond as quickly as possible to such a consultation when it came. It was agreed that the Parish Council would now write objecting to the proposals. Cllr Smith would liaise with the Clerk on the response which would incorporate many of the views expressed by members of the public. The company would be asked whether other sites such as the telephone exchange, Pollards Wood or a brown field site had been or could be considered. A meeting would be requested with the company to help it locate a more suitable location.

13 Update on the Examination in Public of the Core Strategy – The Chairman's written report reminded the Council that, as explained at the 13 April meeting, the EiP Inspector had invited CDC to add a paragraph after Policy CS 6 in the Core Strategy spelling out in more detail what kind of development they envisaged on the Donkey Field. CDC Planning Services had invited the Parish Council to suggest some wording. Cllr Ingham had been authorised to negotiate a text with Planning Services, with the help of the Chairman of the LCCA. This had

been done. Cllr Ingham now circulated the draft text which had emerged from those discussions, and which he had agreed provisionally with Planning Services. If approved by CDC councillors and by the Inspector in due course, it would appear in a new version of the Core Strategy to issue in June for public consultation. The Planning Committee accepted the text as the best which could be obtained in the circumstances, although regret was expressed that CDC were unwilling to contemplate at this stage any reduction in the proposed density of 60 dwellings on the site.

14 Any Other Business: (i) Waste Transfer Site on London Road: There are no further details available but as soon as a Planning application is received by BCC the Parish Council will be notified.

15 Date of next meeting: Tuesday 17 May 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. This evening's meeting was the final one under Cllr Ingham's chairmanship. Cllr Drew thanked him for his tireless work and professionalism over the previous four years and in particular for his valuable contribution to the work on the Core Strategy.

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