

Minutes of PLANNING COMMITTEE
held on 21st May 2012
in the Committee Room, The Freight House, Rochford

Councillors Present: Cllr Mrs Weir (Chairman), Cllr Mrs Cooke, Cllr V Leach, Cllr R Patient, Cllr D Weir, Cllr Mrs Young

1. Elect Chairman:

Cllr Mrs Weir was elected as Chairman.

2. Elect Vice Chairman:

Cllr Mrs Young was elected as Vice Chairman.

3. Apologies for Absence:

Apologies were accepted from Cllr Williams.

4. Approve Minutes of Meeting held on 16th April 2012 and to approve the destruction of the manuscript notes in respect of those meetings. The Minutes were approved.

5. Declarations of Interest: None.

6. Letter from Shaun Scrutton in response to Clerk's dated 26th April 2012:

Cllr Patient referred to the last paragraph and felt RDC were not taking notice of the views of HPC at all as a statutory consultee and Members expressed strong opinions.

The Clerk pointed out that the 1% of the erosion of the green belt was all within or within a mile of Hawkwell's boundaries and Cllr Mrs Weir added that counting Wallasea and the land around it made up a large portion of the available green belt.

Cllr Weir was disappointed that District Ward Councillors had not responded to the Clerk's letter; he urged that Council chase a response from District Ward Councillors and went on to express further strong opinions. The Clerk advised that Mark Francois and District Cllrs John & Christine Mason had shown interest and requested a copy of Shaun Scrutton's response. Members agreed that acknowledgement of the Clerks letter was expected at least and the Clerk was asked to send a copy of Shaun Scrutton's letter to District Ward Councillors together with a request to respond to the Clerk's letter.

After lengthy discussion Members felt there would be no advantage in responding to Shaun Scrutton and it was agreed to note his letter.

7. Agreement to co-opt HPPG Members to Planning Committee (John Hickman and Audrey Slemmonds have put themselves forward):

Members approved the co-option of HPPG Members - John Hickman and Audrey Slemmonds and the Chairman advised that they were unfortunately unable to attend the meeting.

8. Verbal report by Cllr Mrs Weir on Christmas Tree Farm:

The Chairman notified that a meeting for the appeal decision was scheduled for 26th June 2012 at 10am in the Civic Suite; she would be attending to represent Council and asked whether any of the Committee would like to join her. Cllr Mrs Young agreed to attend.

9. Consider Planning Applications:

Responsibility: Not given

Application No: 12/00251/FUL. 19 Tudor Way, Hawkwell, Essex SS5 4EY
Hip to Gable Roof Extension and Form Rooms in Roof Space Incorporating 2 No.
Pitched Roofed Front Dormers and Flat Roofed Rear Dormer. Construct Single
Storey Flat Roofed Rear Extension.

My Council has no objection to this application.

Application No: 12/00253/FUL. 19 Tudor Way, Hawkwell, Essex SS5 4EY
Hip to Gable Roof Extension and Form Rooms in Roof Space Incorporating 2 No.
Pitched Roofed Front Dormers and Flat Roofed Rear Dormer. Construct Single
Storey Pitched Roofed Rear Extension.

This application is identical to the application above bar the pitched roof vs flat roof and my council object to the pitched roof.

Application No: 12/00262/FUL. 25 Hockley Rise, Hockley SS5 4PT
Single Storey Pitched Roof Side Extension. Provide Two Rooflights to Front.
Single Storey Pitched Roof Porch. Extension to Front, Replace Front Windows
with Bay Windows.

My Council were disappointed that they were unable to understand the plans due to the extremely poor copy quality and were therefore unable to make a comment.

Responsibility: Delegated

Application No: 12/00255/FUL. 3 Swayne Avenue, Hawkwell, Essex SS5 4LB.
Single Storey Flat Roofed Rear Extension.

My Council has no objection to this application.

Application No: 12/00269/FUL. 6 The Westerings, Hawkwell, Essex SS5 4NX.
Construct Two Storey Side Extension.

My Council has no objection to this application.

Application No: 12/00271/FUL. 27 Stanley Road, Ashingdon, Essex SS4 3JA
Extend Bungalow to Side and Rear, Construct First Floor and New Roof
Converting Bungalow to House With Integral Garage.

My Council objects on the grounds that it contravenes our policy of not converting bungalows to houses, which leads to loss of bungalow stock.

Application No: 12/00243/FUL. 29 Derbydale, Rochford SS4 3BY
Two Storey Side and Rear Extension Incorporating a New Garage

My Council has no objection to this application.

Application No: 12/00266/FUL. 28 Ashcombe, Rochford SS4 1SW
Construct Single Storey Flat Roofed Rear Extension

My Council has no objection to this application.

Application No: 12/00272/FUL. 49 Eastbury Avenue, Rochford SS4 1SE
Part Garage Conversion to Living Accommodation

My Council objects on the grounds that there no longer appears to be adequate parking space and the size of garage being left is not wide enough for a vehicle.

Application No: 12/00250/FUL. 17 Heycroft Road, Hawkwell SS5 4HN

First Floor Side Extension

My Council has no objection to this application.

Chairman