

FINCHAMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD AT 8.00PM ON Thursday 6th November 2008 IN THE CALIFORNIA RATEPAYERS HALL, FINCHAMPSTEAD RD, FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKS

PRESENT: Cllr Mr G Veitch - Chairman
Cllr Mrs Driver, Mr R Black, Mr S Bromley,
Cllr Mr Cundy, Mr Gordon, Mr Pearce,
Mrs A Kent – Assistant Clerk

408/2008 - APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Cllrs Mrs L Newcombe, Mr Chapman

409/2008 - MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of 8th October 2008 were signed as a true record of the meeting.

410/2008 - MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

63/2008 - CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

Land Clearing taking place close to Travis Perkins on Park Lane, close to Hogwood Trading Estate. A site visit was carried out on Fri 4th April with Cllr W Chapman, WBC have written to the owners of the site which is called Moor Farm. Spoke to J Steepe on 6th May, land owned by 3 people, fly-tipping evident on land, WBC is meeting with a representative of the owners, and an enforcement notice, or clean-up notice will be served. Mr Steepe has written to the owners asking that the land be cleared: they have until the end of August 08. No clearing has commenced on the site. A letter was sent to Ms J Jackson at WBC asking for an update, she promised on 23.9.08 to respond within 10 working days. Ms Jackson wrote to FPC on 22.10.08 the site is actively being cleared, Mr Steepe has visited the site and work is continuing.

128/2008 - CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

Summer House Greenacres, Nine Mile Ride, registered with Enforcement at WBC on April 4th. Additionally check whether the mobile home on site has planning permission. WBC informed FPC that the mobile home issue was resolved in 2007. Summer House still waiting to hear from WBC. Asst Clerk will contact WBC to ask how matter was resolved and for copy of relevant documents. WBC responded that the mobile home is ancillary to the use of the house as written to by Mr R Lettin. The matter of the summer house is still being looked into. Asst Clerk will ask for a copy of Mr Lettin's letter. Mr Steepe wrote to us saying that he is unable to give us a copy of the letter. J Jackson advised us that the summerhouse is permitted development as emailed to us on 2nd September. Asst Clerk will ask for clarification, as to which property has received permitted development. Ms Jackson wrote to FPC confirming that according to their records both mobile home and summer house received permitted development status. **This item can be deleted from minutes**

160/2008 - CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

Letter from a resident Re The Stables, Jovike, Wokingham Rd. Response sent to resident and Asst Clerk has spoken to Mr Mann, WBC, who is dealing with this. Mr Mann has been in telephone contact with the resident, and plans a site visit, which he will update us on. Spoke with Mr Mann on 20th a meeting is being held on 24th June with Enforcement, Legal and Head of Dev Control at WBC, no site visit has taken place. Cllr Black has spoken to resident and seen the situation, other Cllrs at WBC have been informed, it is possible that activities are causing land contamination. Update on 16th July, Mr Mann is waiting for police to contact him to organise a joint operation. Ms Jackson has advised that she will update us on this matter within 10 days from 23.9.08. Mr Mann was on leave at the time of WBC's reply on 21.10.08 – no further update. Cllr Pearce will take the matter up with the community police and liaise with Mr Mann at WBC.

360/2008 - CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment Workshop on Tues 23rd September 2008, Cllr Mrs Newcombe reported that WBC had promised to collate the results of the various groups and distribute them shortly.

360/2008 - CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

Planning policy update briefing for parish and town councils on 17th September 2008, Cllrs Mrs. Newcombe updated the committee, it was decided that a letter should be sent to COSE with regard to the Secretary of State's change to the SE plan and deleting the strategic gap, CC106, and our objection to this deletion. Letter sent.

398/2008 - CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

Letter – Partial Review of the SE plan Gypsy and Traveller accommodation needs. Cllr Mrs Newcombe offered to complete the questionnaire. Sent on 17th October.

398/2008 - CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

Update on 140 Barkham Ride, and Hogwood Meadows, summer house at 140 Barkham Ride is a permitted development, as it is under 4mtrs and does not take up more than 50% of the entire garden area, email from Cllr Pearce attached and Householder Permitted Development information attached. Ms Jackson, WBC wrote to say, there is no breach of planning control at Hogwood meadows. **This item can now be deleted.**

398/2008 - CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

It was agreed to request that a planning officer speak at one of our meetings about the new planning laws, forthcoming dates have been given to J. Jackson. She is able to attend meetings on Jan 28th, Feb 25th, Suggestions for agenda items were made and will be sent to Ms Jackson. (Agenda items attached).

411/2008 - CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS As at Appendix A.

412/2008 – DECISIONS Decisions were reported as at Appendix B

413/2008 Appeals – New

85 Foxcote, F/2008/1182 – Proposed erection of a two storey rear extension to dwelling with first floor side dormers and ground front extension. Insertion of bay window to front elevation. Comments to Inspectorate by 21.11.08, FPC had no objections, noted.

Heatherbrow, The Ridges F/2008/1643 – Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement detached dwelling with existing garaging and parking
Comments to inspectorate by 19.11.08. FPC had no objections, noted

19 Heatherdene Ave, Crowthorne, F/2008/1237

Proposed addition of first floor plus ground floor rear extension to existing detached garage. FPC had reservations about height of the garage, no plans of house were available. Asst Clerk will write to the Inspectorate

Appeal Decision.

Land adjoining Downshire Lodge, Commonfield Lane, Barkham, F/2006/6921

The appeal is allowed and planning permission is granted for the change of use to a gypsy site comprising two pitches on the land.

Conditions will be imposed and the number of caravans should be limited to four, including no more than two mobile homes.

Masdar House, 1 Reading Road, Eversley F/2008/0928

The appeal is dismissed, the extension would cause significant harm to the living conditions of adjacent occupiers.

414/2008 – TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

TPO No 883/1997 Tawny Hollow, Warren Lane,

Consent to the following work being carried out

T1 – English Oak – selectively prune by removing tree's lowest branches back to origin.

Selectively prune by undertaking a 30% crown reduction.

TPO No 674/1994 – 14 Booth Drive

Consent to the following work being carried out

T37 English Oak – selectively prune by undertaking 15% crown thin evenly throughout the

canopy. Also selectively prune low secondary branches that extend towards garage creating no more than 2m clearance.

415/2008 STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING –

Property marked on site plan will be known as California Dreaming, Nine Mile Ride, RG40 4HU

416/2008 - CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

1. WBC Planning Applications Lists . Noted
2. Notice of informal hearing, site Broughton, Heath Ride, No F/2008/0598 on November 26th at Shute End starting at 10am, FPC had no objection. Noted
3. Letter from Moor Green Lakes Group, proposal to extend carpark at Moor Green Lakes Nature Reserve. To be placed on agenda for MC meeting. Asst Clerk to ask BALC for advice.
4. Letter from Hart District Council re Planning for future Gypsy, Traveller sites – North Hampshire Exhibition. Noted
5. Notice of withdrawal of application No F/2006/9341 New Mill House, New Mill Rd. Noted
6. Letter from WBC – The restricted byway 25 Finchampstead (part) (Kiln Ride Extension) Modification order 2008. Noted
7. Letter from WBC- Strategic Housing Land availability assessment workshop held on 23/9/08, notes from meeting have been published on the website. Noted
8. Letter from Thames Valley Primary Care Agency, Re Determination of rurality of Finchampstead. Asst Clerk to reply.
9. Biodiversity News, from WBC Countryside Service. Noted
10. Acknowledgement of representation on the Submission WBC Core Strategy Dev Plan Document. Noted
11. Letter from WBC re Core Strategy. Noted
12. Signs of land clearing in the Village opposite Finchampstead School has been noted.

417/2008 DATE OF NEXT MEETING –

Next meeting is on Thursday 4th December 2008 at 8pm California Ratepayers Hall. The meeting closed at 9.35pm.

Appendix C

Agenda items for Jeni Jackson

Developing the working relationship between FPC and WBC
Brief on New permitted development Planning Regulations
Outstanding Enforcement issues in Finchampstead
Explanation on how the enforcement team at WBC operate
How will WBC monitor the new gypsy site on Commonfield Lane, to ensure conditions are adhered to.