

Abingdon Town Council
Planning & Highways Committee

**Minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee held at the
Old Abbey House on Monday 12th September 2011 at 7.00pm**

Committee Members Present :- Councillor Alice Badcock
Councillor Peter Jones - Chairman
Councillor Lesley Legge
Councillor Monica Lovatt - Vice
Chairman
Councillor Hermann Matheson
Councillor Penny McDougall

Also in Attendance :- Mr Steve Rich, Head of Service
Delivery
Mrs Nina Özdemir, PA to the Town
Clerk

01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE members of the public

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Jeanette Halliday, Cllr Aidan Melville, Cllr Katie Nobes, Cllr Sandy Lovatt, Chairman of Finance and General Purposes Committee and Cllr Michael Badcock, Mayor of Abingdon.

Cllr Monica Lovatt took the Chair as the Chairman, Cllr Peter Jones, was delayed.

02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Alice Badcock declared a personal and prejudicial interest in application 11/01577/FUL as she uses the facilities at the location.

Cllr Lesley Legge declared a personal interest in application 11/01893 as she knows the applicant.

Cllr Peter Jones declared a personal interest in the Octabus Dial-a-Ride Service as he is a member of the Local Community Bus Service Review Committee.

Cllr Peter Jones declared a personal interest in the adjoining parish application 11/01859/RMC as he was on the County Council Waste and Gravel Extraction Committee.

03 MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd August 2011 be signed as a correct record.

04 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

05 WORK TO VARIOUS TREES

Members noted the work to the following trees:

1. Fell 1 x Lime, Park Road, Abingdon
2. Prune one Oak tree at 3 Lyon Close, Abingdon OX14 1PT

06 Review of Octabus Dial-a-Ride Service

Members noted the document regarding this service. Cllr Peter Jones took the Chair at this

point, time being 7.33pm, Cllr Peter Jones declared a personal interest as he is a member of the Local Community Bus Service Review Committee.

Cllr Peter Jones requested that information be sent out to various user groups.
07 Planning Training

Members noted the details from the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils for planning training. Members were asked to notify the PA to the Town Clerk, if they wished to attend.

08 Abbey Shopping Centre and Charter Area Planning Guidance

The Chairman, Cllr Peter Jones, asked members to include individual comments on questionnaires and return direct to the Vale of White Horse District Council.

09 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 - Notification of Appeal

Members noted that an appeal has been lodged against the refusal of an application for planning

10 Adjoining Parish Application

permission. MMH Reference 11/01315/FUL - 50 Mill Road, Abingdon, OX14 5NS.

Members noted and commented on application 11/01859/RMC - adjoining parish - J Curtis and Sons Ltd, Thrupp Lane, Radley, Abingdon, OX14 3NS.

The Committee's comment was that members would like to object to this application as they feel the work is unnecessary.

Cllr Peter Jones declared a personal interest as he was on the County Council Waste and Gravel Extraction Committee.

11 PLANNING DECISIONS

The latest list of planning decisions from the Vale of White Horse District Council were presented to members.

12 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The planning applications were received and considered from the Vale of White Horse District Council. Following consideration of the planning applications, it was RESOLVED that the following comments be forwarded as the Council's recommendations on the various applications.

12- 1	ABG/00000/000/-/11/01558/FUL	Plot Ref :-	Type :-	FULL
	Applicant Name :-	Dewsnap, Mrs C	Date Received :-	23/08/2011
	Location :-	5A Winterborne Road Winterborne Road Abingdon OX14 1AJ	Date Returned :-	14/09/2011
	Proposal :	Proposed first floor extension to form bedroom		
	Observations :	No objections.		
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12- 2	ABG/00000/000/-/11/01577/AMD	Plot Ref :-	Type :-	AMENDED
	Applicant Name :-	ABINGDON SCHOOL	Date Received :-	07/09/2011
	Location :-	Land Adj Glympton,Faringdon Rd Faringdon Road Abingdon OX14 1BG	Date Returned :-	14/09/2011
	Proposal :	AMENDED PLANS/DESCRIPTION/ADDITIONAL PLANS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED Original proposal outlined on last agenda /minutes for meeting of 22.8.11 Residential development of six semi-detached three bedroomed houses in three villas.		

Observations : Refuse - comments as per meeting of 22nd August 2011:
 The Town Council notes that the development is planned for land which is currently used as an overflow car park for Abingdon School, which includes parking for coaches. Consequently, the development would lead to a loss of car parking spaces at the school and increased congestion as displaced vehicles would have to park on the road. In the opinion of the Town Council the development will also generate a significant amount of extra traffic in the already busy area of Faringdon Road and as such the application is contrary to policy DC 5 (Access) of the adopted VWH Local Plan 2011.

Members noted that the application is in the Albert Park conservation area and would ask that the Conservation Officer is satisfied with all aspects of the application including scale, massing, design and all other planning considerations.

Cllr Alice Badcock left the room during discussion of this item having declared

12- 3 ABG/00000/000/-/11/01644/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
 personal and prejudicial interest in this application (see item 2 above).
 Applicant Name :- Leighton, Miss Lisa Date Received :- 19/08/2011
 Location :- 135 Austin Place Date Returned :- 14/09/2011
 Austin Place
 Abingdon
 OX14 1LY

Proposal : Demolition of existing garage. Erection of a garage.

Observations : No objections.

12- 4 ABG/00000/000/-/11/01717/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
 Applicant Name :- Maddison, Mr and Mrs B Date Received :- 19/08/2011
 Location :- 19 Stonehill Walk Date Returned :- 14/09/2011
 Abingdon
 OX14 5QH

Proposal : Demolition of existing garage and store. Construction of replacement garage and rear extension to main house.

Observations : No objections

12- 5 ABG/00000/000/-/11/01727/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
 Applicant Name :- Deans, Mr James & Mrs Victoria Date Received :- 19/08/2011
 Location :- 49 Norman Avenue Date Returned :- 14/09/2011
 Abingdon
 Norman Avenue
 OX14 2HJ

Proposal : Proposed porch and bay window extensions to front elevation, new chimney stack, new replacement windows, new garden walls and rendered finish to elevations.

Observations : No objections on the provision that the front wall is no more than 4ft 6" high.

12- 6 ABG/00000/000/-/11/01735/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
 Applicant Name :- Riveiro, Mr C Date Received :- 24/08/2011
 Location :- 48 Park Road Date Returned :- 14/09/2011
 Park Road
 Abingdon

OX14 1DG

Proposal : Erection of a single storey side extension.

Observations : No objections.

12- 7 ABG/00000/000/-/11/01737/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
Applicant Name :- Eley, Mr David Date Received :- 25/08/2011
Location :- St Helen & St Katharine School Date Returned :- 14/09/2011
Faringdon Road
Abingdon
OX14 1BE
Proposal : Proposed installation of lighting columns to light car park and "pick up and drop off" facility.
Observations : No objections.

12- 8 ABG/00000/000/-/11/01773/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
Applicant Name :- Stroud, Mr David Date Received :- 25/08/2011
Location :- 53 Masefield Crescent Date Returned :- 14/09/2011
Masefield Crescent
Abingdon
OX14 5PJ
Proposal : Proposed replacement of mono pitched roof to the front elevation with gable end
roof with two rooflights. (Re-submission of planning application 10/02392/FUL)
Observations : No objections.

12- 9 ABG/00000/000/-/11/01789/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
Applicant Name :- Our Lady's Abingdon Date Received :- 30/08/2011
Location :- Our Lady's Abingdon Radley Rd Date Returned :- 14/09/2011
Radley Road
Abingdon
OX14 3PS
Proposal : Remove loop road and create a new landscaped parking facility with turning area. Creation of new fenced, hard surface play facility within existing school grounds.
Observations : No objections.

12- 10 ABG/00000/000/-/11/01861/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
Applicant Name :- Vanderbilt Homes Date Received :- 25/08/2011
Location :- Longside, Tatham Road Date Returned :- 14/09/2011
Tatham Road
Abingdon
OX14 1QD
Proposal : Retrospective application for amendments to plot 3 under planning permission 09/01427/FUL, amendment to include new windows and changes to fenestrations.
Observations : Refuse for the following reasons:
The Town Council considers that the development would overlook neighbouring

properties, specifically 7 Northcourt Lane, resulting in a loss of privacy. As such, the development unacceptably harms the amenities of neighbouring properties, contrary to Policy DC 9 (Impact of development on neighbouring uses) of the adopted Vale of White Horse Local Plan 2011.

The Committee members also stated they objected to any removal of trees.

12- 11 ABG/00000/000/-/11/01893/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
Applicant Name :- Boswell, Mrs Terry Date Received :- 06/09/2011
Location :- Abbey Guest House Oxford Road Date Returned :- 14/09/2011
Oxford Road
Abingdon
OX14 2AG
Proposal : Proposed single storey rear extension.
Observations : No objections.

12- 12 ABG/00000/000/-/11/01909/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
Applicant Name :- Hutton, Mr and Mrs Date Received :- 06/09/2011
Location :- 25 Lovelace Close Date Returned :- 14/09/2011
Lovelace Close
Abingdon
OX14 1XW
Proposal : Proposed rear conservatory.
Observations : No objections.

The Meeting closed at : 8.10pm

Signed : _____ Chairman Date: _____

On behalf of :-Abingdon Town Council