

**Abingdon Town Council**  
**Planning & Highways Committee**

**Minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee held at the  
Old Abbey House on Monday 10th September 2012 at 7.00pm**

Committee Members Present :- Councillor Michael Badcock, Chairman  
Councillor Lesley Legge  
Councillor Hermann Matheson  
Councillor Penny McDougall

Also in Attendance :- Mr Nigel Warner, Town Clerk  
Mrs Nina Özdemir, PA to Town Clerk  
4 Members of the Public

**01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Jeanette Halliday; Peter Jones; Angela Lawrence; Katie Nobes; Chairman of Finance and General Purposes, Sandy Lovatt; and the Mayor of Abingdon, Cllr Monica Lovatt.

**02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Lesley Legge declared a non-pecuniary interest in application 10.3 as she is acquainted with the owner.

Councillor Hermann Matheson declared a non-pecuniary interest in application 10.10 as he is acquainted with a doctor at the surgery.

**03 MINUTES**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 20th August 2012 be signed as a correct record.

**04 MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

**05 WORK TO VARIOUS TREES**

Members noted the work to the following trees:

1. Oxfordshire County Council to undertake a number of works outlined in their schedule for Abbey Centre, Abingdon
2. Various works to trees at the Upper Reaches Hotel, Thames Street, Abingdon - removal of sycamores x 2 , ash tree x1 and one dead stump for safety reasons.
3. Various works to trees at Albert Park, Abingdon - 2 x large white poplar to be felled to allow development of other specimens nearby. 1 x Portuguese laurel coppiced back; 4 x small blue spruce removed as thinning nearby; 1 x poor box elder circa 30cm dbh, to be removed in order to favour a young oak adjacent; 6 x leylandii to be felled that are within 5 metres of the base of a tulip tree and 2 x golden leylandii circa 40cm diameter to be removed.

**06 NEW PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATION - LICENSING ACT 2003**

Members noted the new premises licence application for Wetherspoons (former Post Office), 25 High Street, Abingdon, OX14 5AA.

**07 CYCLE SAFETY FUND SCHEME IN ABINGDON**

Members considered a proposal for a Cycle Safety Scheme in Abingdon and were keen to support, subject to further details being provided by Oxfordshire County Council.

**08 BUILDING NAME FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT - MARCHAM ROAD, ABINGDON**

Members considered a name for the new build of 14 residential apartments on Marcham Road, opposite the hospital. The suggested name was agreed as "Henry Liddon Court". Henry Liddon, (1932-1987), was co-driver of the Mini Cooper with Paddy Hopkirk, winning the Monte Carlo Rally in 1964.

**09 PLANNING DECISIONS**

No planning decisions had been received for this meeting.

**10 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.

10- 1	P12/1726/HH	Plot Ref :-	Type :-	OTHER
	Applicant Name :-	Cheetham, Mr Paul	Date Received :-	20/08/2012
	Location :-	14 Abbey Close Abbey Close Abingdon OX14 3JD	Date Returned :-	11/09/2012
	Proposal :	Internal alterations and construction of new single storey extension. Demolition of existing out-building and construction of new single storey summer house.		
	Observations :	No objections subject to complying with the requirements of the County Archaeologist and also the VWHDC Conservation Officer.		

10- 2	P12/V1639/HH	Plot Ref :-	Type :-	OTHER
	Applicant Name :-	Dagnell, Mr J	Date Received :-	20/08/2012
	Location :-	22 Abbott Road Abbott Road Abingdon OX14 2DT	Date Returned :-	11/09/2012
	Proposal :	Construction of two storey side / rear extension and single storey rear extension.		
	Observations :	No objections.		

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- 10- 3 P12/V1665/HH Plot Ref :- Type :- OTHER  
Applicant Name :- Powell, Mr Richard Date Received :- 20/08/2012  
Location :- 23 Norman Avenue Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
Norman Avenue  
Abingdon  
OX14 2HQ  
Proposal : Raising of roof to create first floor shower room above existing garage. Rear ground floor kitchen extension and new glazed link between the kitchen and utility room.  
Observations : No objections.
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- 10- 4 P12/V1690/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- MINOR  
Applicant Name :- Abingdon Rugby Football Club Date Received :- 04/09/2012  
Location :- Southern Sports Park Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
Lambrick Way  
Abingdon  
OX14 5TJ  
Proposal : Installation of two 6M containers in the grounds of the rugby club for storage of kit and equipment.  
Observations : No objections.
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- 10- 5 P12/V1708/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- MINOR  
Applicant Name :- Burles, Mr Ian Date Received :- 20/08/2012  
Location :- 61 Oxford Road Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
Oxford Road  
Abingdon  
OX14 2AA  
Proposal : Application for new two storey family dwelling and alterations to No. 61 Oxford Road  
Observations : No objections.
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- 10- 6 P12/V1712/HH Plot Ref :- Type :- OTHER  
Applicant Name :- Hannigan, Mr and Mrs Louis Date Received :- 20/08/2012  
Location :- Larks, Faringdon Road Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
Faringdon Road  
Abingdon  
OX14 1BG  
Proposal : Single storey extension to rear of detached Garage to create Home Office  
Observations : No objections.
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- 10- 7 P12/V1719/HH Plot Ref :- Type :- OTHER  
Applicant Name :- Tarallo, Mr Amellio Date Received :- 20/08/2012  
Location :- 61 Lindsay Drive Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
Lindsay Drive  
Abingdon  
OX14 2RT  
Proposal : Proposed single storey extension  
Observations : No objections.
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10- 8 P12/V1723/LB Plot Ref :- Type :- OTHER  
Applicant Name :- Christ's Hospital of Abingdon Date Received :- 20/08/2012  
Location :- Long Alley Almshouses Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
St Helen's Churchyard  
Abingdon  
OX14 5EJ  
Proposal : Internal alterations to alleviate dampness to internal face of external south west walls in 2, 5, 6 and 7 Long Alley.  
Observations : No objections.

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10- 9 P12/V1727/LB Plot Ref :- Type :- OTHER  
Applicant Name :- Cheetham, Mr Paul Date Received :- 20/08/2012  
Location :- 14 Abbey Close Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
Abbey Close  
Abingdon  
OX14 3JD  
Proposal : Internal alterations and construction of new single storey extension. Demolition of existing out-building and construction of new single storey summer house.  
Observations : No objections subject to complying with the requirements of the County Archaeologist and also the VWHDC Conservation Officer.

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10- 10 P12/V1751/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- MINOR  
Applicant Name :- Long Furlong Medical Centre Date Received :- 05/09/2012  
Location :- 45 Loyd Close Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
Loyd Close  
Abingdon  
OX14 1XR  
Proposal : Conversion of existing roof space to extend the Medical Centre, extension works to form new Pharmacy and associated external works.  
Observations : Members considered that the proposed development was in contravention of the adopted Vale of White Horse District Local Plan 2011 on the grounds that:

1. It would result in development which would adversely impact on traffic in the area, specifically due to increased traffic which would be generated and which cannot be accommodated by the existing road network, inadequate provision being made for car parking which would then adversely impact on the highway and a lack of safe and convenient access from the highway to some of the proposed parking spaces, in contravention of Policy DC5 (access);
2. The proposals would result in overdevelopment which would unacceptably harm the amenities of neighbouring properties, in contravention of policy DC9 (Impact of Development on Neighbourhood Uses), and in particular a loss of privacy and light to neighbouring properties as a result of the extension; dominance and visual intrusion caused by the development; and noise and disturbance caused by the pharmacy;
3. The change of use to a pharmacy of part of the property is out of character with the surrounding area, which does not have commercial developments, and is therefore in contravention of Policy DC1 (design).

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10- 11 P12/V1769/HH Plot Ref :- Type :- OTHER  
Applicant Name :- Mr and Mrs Gass, Mike Date Received :- 30/08/2012  
Location :- 18 Hillview Road Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
Hillview Road  
Abingdon  
OX14 1ND  
Proposal : Raising of roof including loft conversion to facilitate first floor accommodation.  
New pitch roof over existing garage. Single storey extension to rear of garage.  
New bay window to front.  
Observations : No objections.

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10- 12 P12/V1772/HH Plot Ref :- Type :- OTHER  
Applicant Name :- O'Hara, Mr Mark Date Received :- 28/08/2012  
Location :- 8 Culham Close Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
Culham Close  
Abingdon  
OX14 2AS  
Proposal : Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of new ground floor extension  
and internal alterations.  
Observations : No objections.

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10- 13 P12/V1789/HH Plot Ref :- Type :- OTHER  
Applicant Name :- Mason, Mr Richard Date Received :- 30/08/2012  
Location :- 61 Norman Avenue Date Returned :- 20/09/2012  
Norman Avenue  
Abingdon  
OX14 2HL  
Proposal : Erection of single storey front porch and two storey rear extension  
Observations : No objections.

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10- 14 P12/V1810/HH Plot Ref :- Type :- OTHER  
Applicant Name :- Brown, Mr Bryan Date Received :- 30/08/2012  
Location :- Clanfield House 16 Park Cresc. Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
Park Crescent  
Abingdon  
OX14 1DF  
Proposal : Erection of replacement conservatory.  
Observations : No objections.

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10- 15 P12/V1817/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- MINOR  
Applicant Name :- Manbridge, Mrs Julie Date Received :- 30/08/2012  
Location :- 15 The Hyde Date Returned :- 11/09/2012  
The Hyde  
Abingdon  
OX14 5JG  
Proposal : Proposed new dwelling on land part of 15 The Hyde, Abingdon  
Observations : No objections.

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10- 16 P12/V1871/HH

Plot Ref :-

Type :- OTHER

Applicant Name :- Ellis, Dr A T

Date Received :- 05/09/2012

Location :- 8 Burgess Close  
Burgess Close  
Abingdon  
OX14 3JT

Date Returned :- 11/09/2012

Proposal : Proposed ground floor extension to extend existing garden room with extension to existing balcony over.

Observations : No objections subject to concerns regarding overlooking neighbouring properties and being out of character with the area being considered by the District Council.

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The Meeting closed at : 7.47pm

Signed :

Chairman Date:

On behalf of :-Abingdon Town Council