

Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council
Minutes of the Planning, Highways & Consultations Committee
Held 7.00 pm on Monday 17th February 2020
In the Roysse Room, the Guildhall, Abingdon-on-Thames.

Present

Cllr Charlie Birks
Cllr Alex Greenaway
Cllr Jim Halliday (sub – Cllr Jeanette Halliday)
Cllr Patrick Lonergan

Also in attendance:

Nina Özdemir PA to Town Clerk
Steve Rich Assistant Town Clerk & Head of Services

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Jeanette Halliday (Chair) and Cllr Lorraine Oates (Vice-Chair).

Cllr Jim Halliday was substitute for Cllr Jeanette Halliday. Cllr Charlie Birks chaired the meeting.

2 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Jim Halliday declared a non-pecuniary interest application 13.4 - P20/V0158/LB – 7 Abbey Close, as he is a neighbour.

Cllr Jim Halliday declared a pecuniary interest in application 13.10 – P20/V0154/FUL & P20/V0155/LB - Cosener's House, as he is employed by STFC and therefore took no part in the discussion of this item.

3 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2020 be signed as a correct record by the Chair.

4 Matters Arising

None.

SCVN Section 3B1 – Cycle Route Improvements Peep-o-Day Lane

Members received and noted the updates relating to the above.

5 **Public Participation**

None

6 **Naming / Numbering of Properties**

Members noted the conversion of a rear storage building to provide 2 duplex flats to be known as: 6 and 7 Turnagain Lane, Abingdon, OX14 3HT.

7 **Road Works, Temporary Road Notices and Orders etc**

Members noted the following:

(a) A34 West Berkshire/Oxfordshire – Road Marking and Road Stud Replacement which would operate on the following future date:
- Monday 24th February for 2 nights.

(b) TTRO at Abingdon, Northcourt Road which would operate from 02 March 2020 up to and including 20 March 2020. This is a 24-hour road closure. This had been updated by the County Council due to errors in the original documentation.

Cllr Grace Clifton asked Officers to update the Committee with regards this TTRO as she was unable to attend the meeting in person. She had been speaking to the County Council's traffic management team and SGN (the gas company) who confirmed that there would be additional signage imminently stating "Resident Access Only" in the appropriate areas. An updated TTRO would be issued.

(c) TTRO at Abingdon, A415 Ock Street which would operate from 06 April 2020 up to and including 11th April 2020.

(d) TTRN – Temporary "No waiting/Loading or Unloading" restriction at Spring Road Abingdon from the Spring Road / Ock Street junction to the Spring Road / Faringdon Road Junction which would operate from 06 April 2020 up to and including 11 April 2020.

(e) Abingdon Air and Country Show – Sunday 17th May 2020.

Members asked that current TTROs / Roadworks sent to the Town Council be included on the Town Council website and / or other social media by way of a link to the County Council website or other suitable method(s).

8 **Residents Parking Scheme – Fee Consultation**

Members received and considered the proposal relating to the above. The proposals were agreed in principle, but the Committee requested the County

Council clarify some parts of their documents as some sections appeared to contradict others. Officers would contact the County Council in this regard.

9 **Old Abbey House, Nomination as asset of Community Value – Declined**

Members received and noted the information relating to the above.

10 **Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan Consultation**

Members noted the documentation relating to the above. Preferred Options Consultation previously circulated; a copy had also been deposited with the plans.

Members stated that if any work were to be approved near Abingdon then they would want lorries to be diverted eg via Clifton Hampden, the Golden Balls Roundabout, and the Oxford Ring Road, and not be travelling through Abingdon.

11 **Vale of White Horse Planning Decisions / Updates from Officers**

Decisions

Members noted the planning decisions.

12 **Permitted Development Application**

Members noted the following:

RE: Erect single storey rear extension

Depth: 4.00m

Height to eaves: 2.55m

Height to ridge: 3.75m

AT: 37 Masfield Crescent, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, OX14 5PH

REF: P20/V0300/PDH

13 **Planning Applications**

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:

Applications for consideration:

Note that the description of each application was as worded in the application.

1 P20/V0035/LB – Other

Dr Bogusia Wojciechowska, 17 East St Helen Street Abingdon, OX14 5EE

Persistent water leak on chimney breast of back 2nd floor bedroom. Chimney and flashing repair has not fixed the problem. Roofer has recommended that bowed rafters be replaced as the roof undulated and water collects around the chimney stack.

Comments:

No objections.

2 P20/V0197/HH – Other

Bethany Die and Alexander Swigg, Aesculus The Chestnuts, Abingdon, OX14 3YN

Single Storey side extension and single storey rear extension to replace existing conservatory

Comments:

No objections.

3 P20/V0101/FUL - Minor

Mr Darren Aldworth, The Poplars, Drayton Road, Abingdon, Oxon OX14 5HU

Removal of Condition 13 – Car Port Details on planning application P18/V3012/FUL.

Proposed new 8 flats on 3 floors, 11 parking spaces, cycle and bin store. Demolition of vacant detached house and outbuildings.

Comments:

No objections.

4 P20/V0158/LB – Other

Mr Philip Kenrick, 7 Abbey Close, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, OX14 3JD

Replacement of rotten window frames with new double-glazing units.

Comments:

No objections. Cllr Jim Halliday declared a non-pecuniary interest in this application as he is a neighbour.

5 P20/V0223/FUL - Other

J Asbridge, Barton Mill, Unit B, Audlett Dive, Abingdon, OX14 3NJ

Change of use of 2no. car parking spaces to allow permanent siting of mobile hot food unit.

Comments:

Recommend refusal – parking / traffic congestion

The Committee considered that the removal of two spaces would result in insufficient provision being made for parking. Therefore, they considered the application is in contravention of Core Policy 37 (Design & Local Distinctiveness) of the VWH Local Plan 2031 (Part 2) and Development Policy 16 (Access) of the Local Plan 2031 (Part 2).

6 P20/V0241/LB - Other

Mr Simon Tonks, 34 Stert Street, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, OX14 3JP

The proposed works involve re-painting the front of the building in White/grey colour. Re-painting the two dormer windows in the roof in white. Tidying and re-rendering the sides of the dormer windows (Colour grey). Replacement/repair

of sagging guttering above left front door and along roof level in iron painted white as before (with stays).

Comments:

No objections.

7 P20/V0244/FUL - Minor

Ms Alison Jarratt, The Unicorn School, 20 Marcham Road, Abingdon, OX14 1 AA

The erection of two log cabins, relocation and re-provision of the astro-pitch and reorganisation of the parking provision on site.

Comments:

No objections.

8 P19/V3110/HH – Other

Mr & Mrs Blackburn, 57 Appleford Drive, Abingdon, OX14 2BX

Double-Storey side extension and single-storey rear extension

Comments:

No objections.

9 P20/V0323/HH – Other

Mr Vincent Hartigan, 17 Lee Avenue, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, OX14 3UT

Demolition of existing garage, erection of a double storey extension to side and rear, additional opaque glass windows to side elevation.

Comments:

No objections.

10 P20/V0154/FUL & P20/V0155/LB

Mr Softley, Science & Technologies Facilities Council, 15-16 Abbey Close, Abingdon, OX14 3JD

The Grade 2 listed Grotto that sits within the rear garden of the Cosener's House Hotel is in poor condition.

The intention is to bring in a specialist contractor with previous experience of working on listed structures (including Grottos) to carry out structural and aesthetic repairs on the Grotto to bring it back to a safe and usable condition whilst maintaining its original features and keeping it as original as possible.

Comments:

No objections. Cllr Jim Halliday declared a pecuniary interest as he is employed by STFC and therefore took no part in the discussion of this item.

The meeting rose at 7.50pm

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Chair

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Date