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MINUTES OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING 3 APRIL 2018

PRESENT

Councillor (Mrs) P Webster (In the Chair)

Councillors: C Adams
P Adams
A Bishop
(Mrs) J Bishop
(Mrs) J Clark
(Mrs) A Durrant
G Edwards
(Mrs) M Penny
K Smith
(Mrs) L Vardy

IN ATTENDANCE

3 Members of the Public.

APOLOGIES

98. Councillors R Acres, S Weisinger and N Gardiner (work commitments)



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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

99. Councillors (Mrs) P Webster and (Mrs) M Penny declared an interest in agenda Item 5a. 18 Oak Drive, Councillor (Mrs) P Webster continued to Chair, but took no part in the debate, Councillor (Mrs) M Penny contributed as she says she has no pecuniary interest in the application.

CORRESPONDENCE

100. None.

PLANNING PERMISSIONS/REFUSALS

PERMISSIONS

101. a. S/HOU/18/0271/LZWI. Erection of a single storey side/rear extension and front porch. 45 Sevenfields, Highworth. Councillors recommended acceptance.
- b. S/HOU/18/0125/FELY. Erection of a two/single storey rear extension. 31 Park Avenue, Highworth. Councillors recommended acceptance

REFUSALS

102. None.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

103. a. **S/HOU/18/0382/RM** – Erection of a two storey side extension and a detached garage. 18 Oak Drive, Highworth, SN6 7BP. Councillors recommend refusal on the following grounds:-
They are of the opinion that the proposed works are over-development of the site; the position and size of the proposed garage is inappropriate and overbearing due to the lower ground level of the neighbouring property.
The size and height of the proposed extension is overbearing and the number of additional windows would cause a loss of privacy and for the neighbours to be overlooked.
Councillors also ask that the Tree Officer attends the site to establish the effect that the proposed garage might have on a tree with a TPO and that the Conservation Officers advice regarding a wall should be sought.
Councillors ask that should the Officer be minded to grant permission that the application be heard at SBC Planning Committee. There were two abstentions.
- b. **S/LBC/18/0367/PEKO** – Erection of a single storey extension and conversion of part of attic. 2 Eastrop, Highworth, SN6 7AP. Councillors recommend refusal.
- c. **S/HOU/18/0366/PEKO** – Erection of a single storey extension and conversion of part of attic. 2 Eastrop, Highworth, SN6 7AP. Councillors recommend refusal.
- d. **S/18/0448/HC** - Erection of 2 no. 4 Bedroom dwellings and associated works. Land adjacent to 12 Station Road, Highworth, SN6 7DJ. Councillors recommend refusal. They are concerned that the houses would be overdevelopment of the site. Station Road has existing traffic problems and they are also concerned that this would make the problems worse.
- e. **S/18/0472/TB** – Erection of 1 no. dwelling and associated works. Land adjoining 84 Westrop, Highworth, SN6 7HJ. Councillors Defer to Officers, but would like to point out that the previous use of the land as a Gas Holding tank should be considered.

MEMBERS' BUSINESS

104. a. Councillor (Mrs) A Durrant. Councillor A Bishop confirmed that the Aldi application is not on the Agenda for Swindon Borough Council Planning Committee on 10th April as previously reported. Aldi is now required to provide an Archaeological Survey of the proposed site before a decision is made. Councillors are angered that this was not made a condition of a Planning Permission but that it has been insisted upon before a decision is made, concern was also expressed that if SBC makes things too difficult, that Aldi might pull out of the development.
- b. Councillor (Mrs) M Penny. She told Councillors that the Planning Officers in Swindon have been advised of a Badger Sett on the Redlands site, along with some TPO's being issued, which will result in new plans being submitted.

The possibility of holding Council meetings in April is to be a future Agenda item.

- c. Councillor C Adams. Councillor K Smith informed Councillors that work on the front of McColls should have been completed by mid-March but has not yet been started. A letter is to be written to the Conservation Officer to enlist her help in encouraging the owners to repair the building as quickly as possible.
- d. Councillor (Mrs) P Webster. Councillors asked that the Town Clerk write to the Manager of Parsonage Court objecting to the bright signage attached to the walls as it is in the Conservation Area.

Meeting closed 7.45 pm