

OXTED PARISH COUNCIL - PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of Oxted Parish Council Planning Committee, held in The Meeting Room, Oxted Community Hall, Church Lane, Oxted on Tuesday 11th September 2018 at 6.00pm

> Mrs Karen Weightman Mrs Barbara Harling Mr David Weightman

> > Mrs M Gibbins - Clerk to Oxted Parish Council

MINUTES

- 1. <u>Apologies for absence:</u> received and accepted apologies for absence from: Mrs Liz Parker, Mrs Katherine Saunders, Mr Terry Dillon and Mr Colin David The Chairman thanked Mrs Barbara Harling for attending the meeting.
- **Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:** To receive any disclosure by members of personal pecuniary interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interests, and whether the member regards the interest to be prejudicial under the terms of the new Code of Conduct. Anyone with a prejudicial interest must, unless an exception applies, or a dispensation has been issued, withdraw from the meeting.

There was none declared

- **Public session:** There was no member of the public present.
- 4. <u>To consider and make comment on the following Planning Applications:</u>

4.1 TA/2018/1708

Single Storey rear extension

Pond Tail Lodge, 7 West Hill Bank, Oxted RH8 9JE

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Scott

Comment: The Parish Councillors made no comment

4.2 TA/2018/1678

Proposed replacement conservatory with integral porch, and new timber entrance gates 9 St Marys Close, Oxted RH8 9LJ

Applicant: Mrs Susan Berns

Comment: The Parish Councillors made no comment

4.3 TA/2018/1693

Conversion of roof-space to habitable use to include a rear dormer, 3 x front and 1 x rear roof-lights and alterations to elevations (Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for a Proposed Development)

Meadow View, Woodhurst Lane, Oxted RH8 9HJ

Applicant: Mr John Smith

Comment: The Parish Councillors leave to TDC Officers

4.4 TA/2018/1639

Single storey side extension

11 Orchard Way, Hurst Green RH8 9DJ Applicant: Mr Tony & Mrs Tracy Roost

Comment: The Parish Councillors made no comment

4.5 TA/2018/1660

Single-storey rear extension, small first floor rear extension to existing dormer, associated changes to elevations (materials, and fenestration), and associated internal and external works 13 Greenhurst Lane, Hurst Green RH8 0LD

Applicant: Mr & Mrs J & H Thorp

Comment: The Parish Councillors made no comment

4.6 TA/2018/1464

Demolition of existing chimney. Erection of two storey front and rear extensions incorporating open porch to west elevation, inglenook and chimney to south elevation. Installation of roof lights to south and west facing roof slopes. Alterations to fenestration

31 Meadowbrook, Oxted RH8 9LT Applicant: Mr Peter Gildersleve

Comment: The Parish Councillors made no comment

4.7 TA/2018/1648

Proposed single storey rear extension (Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for a Proposed Development)

4 Barrow Green Road, Oxted RH8 0NL

Applicant: Mr Kember

Comment: The Parish Councillors leave to TDC Officers

4.8 TA/2018/1542

Conversion of roof-space to habitable use to include a rear dormer and 2 x front roof-lights 17 Juniper Close, Hurst Green RH8 0RX

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Smith

Comment: The Parish Councillors made no comment

4.9 TA/2018/1691

Loft dormer to front

Meadow View, Woodhurst Lane, Oxted RH8 9HJ

Applicant: Mr John Smith

Comment: The Parish Councillors made no comment

4.10TA/2018/1605

Erection of summerhouse (Certificate of Lawfulness of a Proposed Development).

31 Chalkpit Lane, Oxted RH8 0NF

Applicant: Mr Janis Usakovs

Comment: The Parish Councillors leave to TDC Officers

4.11TA/2018/1423

The partial demolition of the single storey rear extension and erection of a single storey rear extension with roof lights.

Eden Ridge, Quarry Road, Oxted RH8 9HF

Applicant: Mrs Lucy Linkins

Comment: The Parish Councillors made no comment

4.12 Planning Application Consultation/Notification for SCC Ref 2012/0114Oxted Quarry, Chalkpit Lane, Oxted, Surrey RH8 0QW

Location: Oxted Quarry, Chalkpit Lane, Oxted, Surrey RH8 0QW, Proposal: Periodic review of a mineral site planning permission for the winning and working of chalk for the determination of full modern conditions. Please find attached a copy of our formal consultation/notification letter. The application documents and plans are available to view or download from our website:

http://planning.surreycc.gov.uk/planappdisp.aspx?AppNo=SCC%20Ref%202012/0114 Comment: Oxted Parish Councillors request a restriction on the number of lorry movements at the quarry, particularly during the school run hours, because of the impact on residents and the unsuitability of the roads and impact on the verges. The Parish Council passed a motion at the Council meeting in July 2018 for the speed limit to be reduced to 30mph.

4.13 Planning Application Consultation/Notification for SCC Ref 2018/0098 Downs Way School, Downs Way, Oxted, Surrey RH8 0NZ

Location: Downs Way School, Downs Way, Oxted, Surrey RH8 0NZ, Proposal: Details of School Travel Plan submitted pursuant to Condition 3 of planning permission ref: TA/2018/1239 dated 25 July 2018. Please find attached a copy of our formal consultation/notification letter. The application documents and plans are available to view or download from our website:

http://planning.surreycc.gov.uk/planappdisp.aspx?AppNo=SCC%20Ref%202018/0098 Comment: Oxted Parish Council (OPC) considers it a great missed opportunity that SCC failed in the original application to address, or begin to address, the problems that have, in recent years, historically occurred in twice daily around the school during term time as a result of staff and pupils travelling to and from the school either end of the school day and on other occasion such as when the district sports occur at the school.

The decision makers were clearly misled by the independent report that concluded (clearly that was the object of the report from when it was originally commissioning) that no additional on-site car parking spaces were required at the school and also the local roads could accommodate the addition peak traffic (when they were not frequently coping anyway) despite the proposed increased in pupils and staff that were to be accommodated.

The submitted travel plan confirms, in the survey results it contains, parent's and teacher's concerns that the pupils and others safety is at risk outside the school. It is totally unfair on the school staff and Governors to have to try and deal with the consequence of these problems in the Travel Plan. The SCC decision makers on this project have been misled, and as a consequence, have failed to face up to their responsibilities, indeed have abdicated their responsibilities, in this regard. Finance may be a problem but the only people that

will suffer are the pupils, their parents or guardians, teachers at the school and the residents in the local roads around the school. SCC Officers visiting the school are not immune to causing traffic obstructions by inconsiderate parking because there is almost always nowhere to park near the school!

The long-term consequence will be that the school will become less popular and pupil numbers will drop and leave the school with a dire financial problem because parents and guardians will get fed-up with the chaos and stress of getting their children to school and will opt to take their children elsewhere.

OPC commend the school for all the hard work that has gone into producing the Travel Plan but it fails to deal adequately with the problems outlined above that should have been dealt with properly by SCC at the initial planning stage and not left to the Travel Plan which, with the best will in the world, can only fiddle at the edges with the problems..

The Travel Plan may fulfil the Condition 3 of the Planning permission but it is considered the underlying problems will still, regretfully, remain.

Date of the next meeting of the Planning Committee: will be held in the Meeting Room, Oxted Community Hall, Church Lane, Oxted, on Tuesday 2nd October 2018 at 6.00pm

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