

THATCHAM TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting of the
Planning & Highways Committee
held on Tuesday 7th August, 2018 at 6.30pm
in the Council Chamber, Brownsfield Road, Thattham

Present: Councillor Dan Carter (Chairman)
 Councillors Steve Ardagh-Walter, Mike Cole, Jason Collis (substituting for John Chelliah), Jan Cover, Richard Crumly and Rob Denton-Powell

In attendance: Connie Davis (Planning Support Officer)
 1 member from the local press (Newbury Weekly News)
 3 members of the public
 1 Thattham Town Council Officer

PH/2018/084 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors John Chelliah (substituted by Jason Collis), David Lister and Ellen Crumly (who had initially agreed to substitute for Councillor Lister).

PH/2018/085 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors R Crumly, Cole and Cover declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application 18/01323/LBC2 due to all being part of the Heritage Working Party that was administering the blue plaque scheme.

PH/2018/086 MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the meeting held on 17th July 2018, having been previously circulated, be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

PH/2018/087 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

There were no matters arising.

PH/2018/088 PLANNING MATTERS

(a) Wasing Estate

Committee members were reminded of the notification made in November 2017 and presented to committee in January 2018 (PH/2018/006(d)) that the owners of the Wasing Estate had made a deposit statement under section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980 to West Berkshire Council. This meant the landowner sought to prevent the creation of new public rights of way, but public rights of way already recorded on the definitive map would not be affected. Since then, no further rights of way had been declared and this therefore protected the landowner from any unwanted claims of new public rights of way.

RESOLVED To note this information.

(b) Application to be granted under the Licencing Act (2003)- Mug & Brew Limited, 29C High Street, Thattham

RESOLVED Members were made aware that an application had been made by Mug & Brew Ltd under the Licencing Act (2003) to permit the serving of alcohol 12 noon until 11pm, Monday to Sunday. The Committee was asked whether it wished to make a representation on this proposal.

RESOLVED No objection to the proposal.

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PH/2018/088 PLANNING MATTERS continued

(c) Closure of Greenham Footpath 6 and parking restriction on Hambridge Lane

Members were made aware that the Greenham Footpath 6 which runs from the eastern edge of Hambridge Road, south to Burys Bank Road via an underpass beneath the railway line would be closed until 30th October 2018. The closure was necessary in order to remove a high voltage cable that crossed the railway line above the underpass. In order to carry out these works, parking restrictions would also be necessary at the eastern end of Hambridge Road.

RESOLVED To note this information.

PH/2018/089 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT / HIGHWAYS / ROAD SAFETY MATTERS

(a) Parking Amendment 28

Committee members received details of the proposed Parking Amendment 28 that would impose a number of parking restrictions to facilitate Phase 2 of the A4 cycleway improvement project.

RESOLVED To note this information and for the Planning Support Officer to contact West Berkshire Council to establish if Parsons Down Primary School had been consulted on the proposed parking restrictions near the school site.

PH/2018/090 DECISION NOTICES

Members received a list of planning decisions dated 23rd and 30th July and 6th August 2018 from West Berkshire Council.

RESOLVED To note the information.

PH/2018/091 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL APPOINTEES

There were no reports or updates from Councillor Crumly or Councillor Steve Ardagh-Walter on behalf of the Thatcham Flood Forum. An update from the Town Council appointees would be provided following the next Thatcham Flood Forum meeting which was to be held on Thursday 6th September 2018.

PH/2018/092 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Committee received and considered the planning applications listed below:

Plan No.	Ward	Application No.	Location:	Proposal:
1	North	18/01504/FUL	Land North Of 47 Sagecroft Road Thatcham	Change of use to garden (curtilage)

RESOLVED: THIS APPLICATION WAS DEEMED INVALID BY WEST BERKSHIRE COUNCIL DUE TO INCORRECT CERTIFICATES BEING SUBMITTED. THE APPLICATION WAS THEREFORE NOT DISCUSSED AT THIS MEETING

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Plan No.	Ward	Application No.	Location:	Proposal:
2	North	18/01109/FULD	Land at Former Police Station Chapel Street Thatcham	Erection of three detached dwellings (1x 2 bed and 2 x 3 bed) including access and parking RESOLVED: Object due to the overcrowding of the site and the negative impact the proposal would have on neighbouring residential amenity.
3	North	18/01580/HOUSE	40 Heather Drive Thatcham	Construction of bedroom over existing garage to side of house. RESOLVED: No Objections
4	North	18/01554/HOUSE	1 Buttercup Place Thatcham	Rear single storey extension, ground floor alterations to provide a ground floor bedroom and wet room. RESOLVED: No Objections
5	North	18/01632/HOUSE	80 Park Lane Thatcham	Proposed L shaped garage, single storey rear extension, pergola to side and rear, demolition of existing outbuilding and replaced with proposed outbuilding. RESOLVED: No Objections

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Plan No.	Ward	Application No.	Location:	Proposal:
6	West	18/01420/FULD	52 Bath Road Thatcham	Change of use from single dwelling to 3 no. flats with small rear extension and elevational changes RESOLVED: THIS APPLICATION WAS DEEMED INVALID BY WEST BERKSHIRE COUNCIL DUE TO INCORRECT CERTIFICATES BEING SUBMITTED. THE APPLICATION WAS THEREFORE NOT DISCUSSED AT THIS MEETING
7	West <i>Cllr Cole abstained from voting on this application</i>	18/01622/HOUSE	12 Thames Road Thatcham	Single storey rear extension. RESOLVED: No Objections
8	Central	18/01783/HOUSE	1 Wenlock Way Thatcham	Single storey rear extension and garage roof extension. RESOLVED: No Objections subject to no impact on neighbour

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Plan No.	Ward	Application No.	Location:	Proposal:
9	Central	18/01323/LBC2	The Kings Head 59 The Broadway Thatcham	To erect a 40cm diameter blue plaque as per the historic blue plaque scheme. Made of durable polyurethane and fixed to the exterior of the building with 4 aluminium screws. Fixed on the west facing side of the building in the space between the two right hand windows. RESOLVED: No Objections
	<i>Cllrs Crumly, Cole and Cover abstained from voting on this application</i>			
10	South & Crookham	18/01870/HOUSE	8 Bramwell Close Thatcham	Single storey front extension with sloping roof and materials to match existing. RESOLVED: No Objections

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.15pm.

Signed: _____ Date: _____