

THATCHAM TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting of the
Planning and Highways Committee
held on Tuesday 13th November 2018 at 7.00pm
in the Council Chamber, Brownsfield Road, Thatcham

Present: Councillor Dan Carter (Chairman)
 Councillors Steve Ardagh-Walter, Mike Cole, Jan Cover, Ellen Crumly
 (substituting for Sheila Ellison), Richard Crumly, Rob Denton-Powell,
 Julie Goode and David Lister

In attendance: Mel Alexander (Town Clerk)
 3 members of public

PH/2018/128 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Sheila Ellison
 (Councillor Ellen Crumly appointed as substitute).

PH/2018/129 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

PH/2018/130 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd October 2018, having been
 previously circulated, be taken as read, confirmed and signed as an accurate
 record.

PH/2018/131 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

There were no matters arising.

PH/2018/132 CIL PAYMENTS

Committee was advised of receipt of £24,496.86 of CIL payments for the
 period 1st April 2018 to 30th September 2018, relating to the following
 developments:

15/02798/FULD	2 Westfield Road, Thatcham, Berkshire, RG18 3EJ
15/01159/FULD	First Floor of Units 6 - 9, The Court Yard, The Broadway, Thatcham, Berkshire, RG19 3HQ
15/03468/FULEXT	Pound Lane Depot, Pound Lane, Thatcham, Berkshire, RG19 3TG
15/00322/FULD	49 The Broadway, Thatcham, Berkshire, RG19 3HP
17/00942/FULD	Land r/o 258-260 Benham Hill

RESOLVED to note this information.

PH/2018/133 SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENTS – CONSULTANCY

Members requested details of potentially commercial sensitive information in
 regard to this matter, it was therefore

RESOLVED to defer this matter to the end of the meeting.

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PH/2018/134 PLANNING MATTERS

a) APPLICATION NUMBER: 18/01715/FULEXT - withdrawn

SITE: Pound Lane Depot, Pound Lane, Thatcham, Berkshire

Committee was advised that the above application for the proposed residential development for 41 units with associated infrastructure (amendment to approved scheme ref: 15/03468/Fulext) (retention of 20 units as approved and reconfigure remainder of site to provide 41 new units) had been withdrawn by the applicant.

RESOLVED to note this information.

PH/2018/135 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT/HIGHWAYS/ROAD SAFETY MATTERS

a) CHURCH GATE ROAD CLOSURE

Committee was advised that Church Gate would be closed from Monday 19th November 2018 to Friday 23rd November 2018 for Thames Water to carry out repairs and add a new service connection. The closure would be in place between the junctions of Malham Road and Church Close, access would be maintained for residential access and the diversion would be signed on site.

RESOLVED to note this information.

b) HENWICK LANE AND BOWLING GREEN ROAD CLOSURES

i. Committee was advised that Henwick Lane and (part of) Bowling Green Road would be closed from 12th November 2018 to 16th November 2018, in order to carry out utility connections for new development work. The closure would be in place between the junctions of Henwick Lane/Gordon Road and Bowling Green Road / Gordon Road, access would be maintained for residential access and the diversion would be signed on site.

RESOLVED to note this information.

ii. Committee was advised that Henwick Lane and (part of) Bowling Green Road would be closed from 19th November 2018 to 21st December 2018 in order to carry out utility connections for new development work. The closure would be in place between the junctions of Henwick Lane/Gordon Road and Bowling Green Road/Gordon Road, access would be maintained for residential access and the diversion would be signed on site.

RESOLVED to note this information.

c) LEVEL CROSSING CLOSURES

Committee was advised that Thatcham, Colthrop and Midgham Level Crossings would be closed for four consecutive nights from Monday 19th November 2018, between 10pm and 4am each night, for road markings to be refurbished.

RESOLVED to note this information with frustration.

PH/2018/136 DECISION NOTICES

Committee received a list of planning decisions from West Berkshire Council dated 29th October 2018, 5th November 2018 and 12th November 2018.

RESOLVED to note the information.

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PH/2018/137 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL APPOINTEES

Councillor Ardagh-Walter reported that a drop-in session would be held on Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd November 2018 for residents to view plans for the Dunston Park and South East Thatcham Flood Alleviation Schemes. Construction of the schemes had been delayed due to dormice. Plans for 3 smaller schemes in North, East and Central Thatcham were aiming for construction in 2022/23.

PH/2018/138 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Committee considered the planning applications listed below:

Plan No.	Ward	Application No.	Location:	Proposal:
1	West	18/02850/HOUSE	4 Elmhurst Road Thatcham	Alterations and extensions with addition of first-floor storey to existing bungalow and remodelling with external finishes

RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders to allow the agent of the applicant for the above applicant to address the Committee.
 The agent talked through the application and answered Member's questions.

RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders

**RESOLVED: NO
 OBJECTIONS**

The agent and applicant for the above application left the meeting

2	West	18/02847/HOUSE	9 Rydal Drive Thatcham	Part conversion of integral garage to provide shower and toilet facilities, retain garage door and part garage for storage RESOLVED: NO OBJECTIONS
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PH/2018/138 PLANNING APPLICATIONS continued

To receive and consider the planning applications listed below:

Plan No.	Ward	Application No.	Location:	Proposal:
3	Central	18/02517/HOUSE	2 Lower Way Thatcham	<p>Enlargement of ground floor bathroom, utility room and wc. Enlargement of first floor bathroom and bedroom in roof space. Enlargement of porch. New first floor living space. Creation of shower room/wc within first floor bedroom. Replacement of flat roofs with pitch to same height as existing</p> <p>RESOLVED: NO OBJECTIONS TO ALL ASPECTS EXCEPT FIRST FLOOR EXTENSION OVER PORCH. OBJECTION TO THIS ELEMENT AS OUT OF KEEPING WITH THE STREET SCENE</p>
4	Central	18/02761/HOUSE	14 Bath Road Thatcham	<p>Removal of existing timber garage and shed, construction of singular clad blockwork garage/shed. Installation of vehicular turntable in front of garage. Demolition of existing rear conservatory, reconstruction with cavity wall and insulated timber roof</p> <p>RESOLVED: NO OBJECTIONS</p>
5	South & Crookham	18/02781/HOUSE	23 Quarrington Close Thatcham	<p>Proposed single storey rear extension to dwelling</p> <p>RESOLVED: NO OBJECTIONS</p>

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To receive and consider the planning applications listed below:

Plan No.	Ward	Application No.	Location:	Proposal:
6	South & Crookham	18/02856/HOUSE	10 Alexander Road Thatcham	Retrospective planning application to extend rear first floor extension in order to utilise existing ground floor load-bearing wall and to provide clarity to two storey front elevation under original Planning approval with reference to building side elevation in line of existing boundary wall RESOLVED: UNABLE TO RESPOND TO THIS APPLICATION DUE TO A LACK OF CLARITY AND INFORMATION (applicant to be invited to attend next meeting)

PH/2018/139 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.

PH/2018/140 SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENTS – CONSULTANCY

RESOLVED Committee received submissions from two potential Planning Consultants with regard to production of supplementary planning guidance documents. to invite Consultant 1 [Bluestone Planning] to meet with the Planning Committee Review Working Party, and extended to all Members of the Planning and Highways Committee, to assess potential supplementary planning guidance documents.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.12pm.

Signed: _____

Date: _____