

PEWSEY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18th AUGUST 2021
IN THE PARISH OFFICE, BOUVERIE HALL, PEWSEY

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs Hunt (Chairman), Cllr Smithers, Cllrs Mrs Dalrymple, Mrs Humfress, Judy Kunkler, Mrs Mundy, Mrs Stevens, Cllrs Giles, McGarry and Morris.

IN ATTENDANCE: Alison Kent (Clerk) and members of the public.

Prior to the commencement of business, a minutes' silence was held in honour of the recent passing of Cllr Alex Carder.

1. APOLOGIES: Cllrs Mrs Brindley, Ellis, Ann Hogg, Mrs Pullen, Kerry Pycroft, Mrs Turner, Cllrs Ford, Garrett and Haskell.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST: Cllr Smithers on item 5 (4).

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: All being in agreement, the minutes of the meeting held on 28th July 2021 were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

4. PLANNING: Decisions from Wiltshire Council

PL/2021/05909 NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED WORKS TO TREES IN A CONSERVATION AREA NO OBJECTIONS RAISED twin stem Scots Pine – stem over the Bowls Club to be reduced by 50%, the lower crown tip, cut back all overhanging branches to clear the Bowls property, sever the ivy at base of tree, insert tree cable in stem over garden at 10 Holly Tree Walk, Pewsey.

20/06557/OUT OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION REFUSED for 50 no. dwellings, following demolition of existing buildings, with all matters apart from access reserved for future consideration at Land west of Wilcot Road, Pewsey. Numerous reasons were provided in the decision notice; including conflict with the settlement strategy of the adopted Wiltshire Core Strategy and residential policy of the made Pewsey Neighbourhood Development Plan. A change from agricultural/equestrian use would not conserve or enhance the existing undeveloped rural character of the site and would result in the creep of development into the open countryside.

PL/2021/04274 FULL PLANNING PERMISSION REFUSED for replacement of 3 bed dwelling with a new 3/4 bed passive house dwelling at Withy Tree Cottage, Knowle, Pewsey. Reasons for refusal included; demolition of the cottage would result in loss of its heritage significance as a non-designated heritage asset and harm to the significance of the pair of cottages. The total loss of the heritage significance of the building is not outbalanced by any benefit of replacing it with a dwelling of improved utility and energy efficiency. The design is not sympathetic to the neighbouring attached historic building.

5. PLANNING: Plans for Discussion

1. PL/2021/07281 - NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED WORKS TO TREES IN A CONSERVATION AREA Ash Sapling – fell; Holly – reduce by 6ft and reshape; Apple – reduce by 6ft and thin; Oak – crown raise to 4m cutting 3 to 6" diameter branches and thin by 20%; Ash x 2/Sycamore – fell all 3 at Ramblers, 20 Easterton Lane, Pewsey.

NO OBJECTION

Proposed Cllr Mrs Hunt, seconded Cllr Morris

All in favour

2. PL/2021/05258 – HOUSEHOLDER PLANNING APPLICATION for proposed garage building at Grove House, Whatley Drive, Pewsey.

MIXED PROPOSAL

We recognise attempts made to mitigate previous concerns; reducing the O/A size by, moving the staircase and slightly lowering the roof height but still object for the following reasons:

- Position of the structure, being so far from the site entrance, is at odds with the WC Household Design Guide.
- The timber structure is positioned adjacent to a timber fence separating the only alternative means of escape from the neighbours' communal gardens. Given the lack of information for the intended use of the 1st floor we suggest a fire risk assessment is provided.
- Concern over the still intrusive height which, as drawn, reaches the eaves of No. 17 Whatley Drive.

We would also welcome assessments from:

- WC Ecologist, given the adjacent bat box mounted on No. 17 Whatley Drive.
- WC Arboriculturist assuring suitable protection to all the surrounding TPO trees.

We would be able to support a single storey structure if the above are addressed.

Proposed Cllr Morris, seconded Cllr Mrs Dalrymple
9 for, 1 against

3. PL/2021/06554 – OUTLINE PLANNING CONSENT for up to 30 no. dwellings, with all matters, apart from access, reserved for future consideration at Land west of Wilcot Road, Pewsey. A lengthy report for submission to Wiltshire Council had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. Further documents had been received for consideration at the last minute, including the Design and Access Statement and Travel Plan.

It was proposed to accept the report and give delegated authority to the Chair and Vice-Chair to make any necessary amendments once the newly received documents were reviewed.

Proposed Cllr Mrs Hunt, seconded Cllr Smithers
All in favour

4. PL/2021/07218 - HOUSEHOLDER PLANNING APPLICATION for erection of two storey rear extension and front porch extension at 20 The Crescent, Pewsey.

WE SUPPORT THIS APPLICATION
Proposed Cllr Mrs Stevens, seconded Cllr McGarry
9 for, 1 abstention

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATE: Cllr Mrs Hunt advised the first group meeting would take place in September with consultees, including some parishes in the community area.

7. FULL COUNCIL INFORMATION AND ACTION: Neither Cllr Haskell or Cllr Ann Hogg were in attendance.

8. ITEMS VIA THE CLERK: None.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.48pm.

Signed..... Date.....