

Minutes of a meeting of
THE PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE
held on Tuesday 2nd October 2007 in the Parish Centre, which commenced at
7.30pm.

PRESENT: Chairman, Cllr. C. Hukin and Cllrs. M. Benson, S Butler, J. Blackburn, I Colpitts, P. Neville, L. Page and I. Skidmore

IN ATTENDANCE: J Lewis (Office Administrator), R Oxley (*Welwyn Planning and Amenity Group*) Dr Ober (*Welwyn Tree Officer*).

APOLOGIES: Apologies were received from R. Findlay (Clerk) and J. Green (*Welwyn Planning and Amenity Group*)

2007/71 MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 4th SEPTEMBER 2007

Subject to a correction that listed Cllr Page as attending the meeting, the Minutes were **agreed** as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

2007/72 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 4th SEPTEMBER 2007.

Application no. N6/2007/1215/FP 2 Heathbrow Road Welwyn. The Chairman reported he had viewed the site and had an **Observation** on the application namely that the existing trees on the front of the property should be retained.

The Chairman also reported that the Clerk had written to Dr Ober, Welwyn Tree Warden and Messrs Green and Oxley, both representing Welwyn Planning and Amenity Group regarding correct procedure at future meetings of the Committee.

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Dr Ober had submitted his written comments on the various tree applications as he was unable to attend the meeting.

N6 2007/1294/FP. 1 The Avenue Welwyn.

Cllr Page declared an interest in this application as he lived opposite the site. It was agreed that he would not take part in any vote on this application.

Councils Decision: **OBJECTION.**

Observation: This is a second application for this site and the Committee believes that the original reasons for refusal given by Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council are still applicable and this new application does not improve matters.

N6 2007/1314/TP. 3 Mornington Welwyn.

Cllr Butler was asked to view the site and report her comments to the Clerk
Councils Decision:

N6 2007/1316/TP. 6 Welwyn Hall Gardens Welwyn.

Councils Decision: **OBSERVATION.**

Observation: That work is done under the supervision of the Borough's agriculturalist and by suitable trained and competent contractors.

N6 2007/1329/TP 10 Bluebells Welwyn.

Councils Decision: **OBSERVATION.**

Observation: That work is done under the supervision of the Borough's agriculturalist and by suitable trained and competent contractors. Additionally that the percentage reduction needs to be agreed with the Borough before work commences.

N6 2007/1331/TP 5 Bluebells Welwyn.

Councils Decision: **OBSERVATION.**

Observation: That work is done under the supervision of the Borough's agriculturalist and by suitable trained and competent contractors. Additionally that the percentage reduction needs to be agreed with the Borough before work commences.

N6 2007/1347/TP 10 Oaklea Welwyn

Councils Decision: **NO COMMENT**

Observation:

N6 20071348/FP 6 Hawbush Rise Welwyn

Councils Decision: **NO COMMENT**

Observation:

N6 20071353/FP The Outer Walled Garden Danesbury Park Road Welwyn

Councils Decision: **OBJECTION.**

Observation: This application is for development within the Green Belt. The Committee noted that there had been a previous application for this site but felt that new application did not warrant any change from the Council's previous objection.

N6 2007/1354/FP 39 Windsor Road Welwyn

Councils Decision: **NO COMMENT**

N6 2007/1355/FP 12 Mimram Place Welwyn

Councils Decision: **NO COMMENT**

N6 2007/1360/FP 65 Robbery Bottom Lane Welwyn

Councils Decision: **OBSERVATION**

Observation: That a condition is applied to any approval of the application not to permit any gates from being installed because of the possible dangers to passing traffic that they might cause.

N6 2007/1364/FP 16 Prospect Place Welwyn

Councils Decision: **OBSERVATION**

Observation: That a condition be applied to any approval of the application that sufficient car parking spaces are made available for the use of staff and visitors.

N6 2007/1374/TP 18 Bluebells Welwyn

Councils Decision: **OBSERVATION.**

Observation: That work is done under the supervision of the Borough's agriculturalist and by suitable trained and competent contractors. The Committee

also commented that the reasons given on the application for the work being done did not appear to be sufficient and should be examined carefully by the Borough.

N6 2007/1385/TP 17 Bracken Lane Oaklands Welwyn

Councils Decision: **OBSERVATION**

Observation: That work is done under the supervision of the Borough's agriculturalist and by suitable trained and competent contractors. The Committee also queried whether there was an alternative to the felling of trees.

N6 2007/1398/FP The Potting Shed Vera Lane Harmer Green

Councils Decision: **OBJECTION**

Observation: The application is for residential development within the Green Belt so should not be permitted.

N6 2007/1399/FP 1a The Drive Welwyn

Councils Decision: **OBJECTION.**

Observation: The proposed development is out of keeping with the existing streetscape by virtue of the intrusive bulk of the proposed garage which would detract from the surrounding open front gardens.

N6 2007/1416/TP Bridge Cottage Surgery 41 High Street Welwyn.

Cllr Skidmore was asked to examine the site and proposed work and report his comments to the Clerk.

Councils Decision:

N6 2007/1420/TP Oak House 3 Mardley Heights Welwyn

Councils Decision: **OBSERVATION**

Observation: That work is done under the supervision of the Borough's agriculturalist and by suitable trained and competent contractors.

N6 2007/1421/FP 8 Firway Welwyn

Councils Decision: **NO COMMENT**

N6 2007/1431/TP 19 Chestnut Walk Welwyn

The Chairman was asked to look at the site and send his comments to the Clerk.

Councils Decision:

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DECISIONS

All the decisions were duly noted.

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REPORT FROM PLANNING WORKING PARTY

The Chairman reported that the Clerk was waiting to receive a reply from Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council to our comments.

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CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.45pm

Signed:.....Chairman Planning & Licensing Committee

Date .6th November 2007.