



Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Planning Committee Meeting

Meeting held on 11 January 2018 in Mortimer Methodist Church, West End Road, Mortimer, RG7 3TB at 6.30pm

Present:

Councillors: Cllr. M. Dennett (Chairman), Cllr. D. Ives, Cllr. N. Kiley, Cllr. C. Lewis, Cllr. T. Reade, Cllr. P. Wingfield.

Deputy Clerk: L. Hannawin

Public/Press: No Members of the Public and no Members of the Press present.

18/01 **To receive Apologies**

None

18/02 **Public Session**

None

18/03 **To receive Declarations of Interest**

None

18/04 **To receive and approve the minutes for the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 11th December 2017**

Cllr. Reade abstained. Received and **APPROVED** to be signed as a true record of the meeting.

18/05 **To consider the following planning applications:**

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Proposal</u>
17/03235/FULD	Land Adj to 42 West End Road, Mortimer, RG7 3TF	Erection of single storey bungalow, removal of shed.
This was not discussed as it has been withdrawn.		
17/03249/HOUSE	Ashfield Kiln Lane, Mortimer, RG7 3PN	Erection of front porch.
No Objections		
17/03296/FULD	Land to the rear of 4 Victoria Road, Mortimer	Proposed detached two bedroomed bungalow.
<u>SMPC Comments</u>		
The Committee objects to the application and made the following comments:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This is overdevelopment of the plot which is small and part of a back garden.• The revised plans are no longer for a bungalow but for a chalet.• The proposed building does not comply with the General Design requirements of the Stratfield Mortimer NDP. The building will not add to the quality of the area and is not visually attractive through good architecture and appropriate landscaping. The plans are not in sympathy with the local		

		vernacular and have not been designed to the Lifetime Homes Standard (Policy GD5, p29).
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The presence of several items of street furniture over 600 mm high near the proposed access will restrict visibility
17/03325/HOUSE	25 Damson Drive, Mortimer, RG7 3WZ	Demolition of existing conservatory and erect a single storey rear extension with wood burning stove and external stainless steel flue
<p><u>SMPC Comments</u></p> <p>The Committee has no objections to the extension but does object the stainless steel flue on the following grounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The aesthetic of the stainless steel flue are not in sympathy with the local vernacular as per policy GD5 on page 29 of the NDP. 		
17/03383/HOUSE	93 Victoria Road, Mortimer, RG7 3XD	Proposed rear extension to form open plan kitchen and living room at ground floor, with new utility, w/c and study. Two new bedrooms above and en-suite/walk-in wardrobes for master bedroom.
<p><u>SMPC Comments</u></p> <p>The Committee has no objections to the build but note and support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highway's comments about the need for revised plans showing adequate parking spaces. The Tree Officer 's comments for the need for the Oak tree in the front garden to be protected. 		
17/03406/HOUSE	28 Stephens Close, Mortimer, RG7 3TX	Proposed single storey side extension to create new storage, utility room and w/c.
<p><u>SMPC Comments</u></p> <p>The Committee, whilst not objecting to the principle of the proposed extension, does object to the application and made the following comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per policy GD5 on page 29 of the NDP, the flat roof is not in sympathy with the local vernacular style of the surrounding houses and does not add to the quality of the area. There does not appear to be an orange sign on display 		

18/06 **To discuss update on West Berkshire Council's proposal not to supply printed plans unless paid for by the Parish Council.**

It was **AGREED** to establish the exact fees West Berkshire Council will be charging for printed copies of plans in order to identify how to proceed as of the 06th April, 2018.

18/07 **Minor Matters for Information Only**

- Cllr. T. Reade raised the issue of needing to keep abreast of new documents pertaining to the MOR006 development as they become available on the West Berkshire Council's planning portal. It was decided to add an agenda item for each future planning meeting: "Review of Update and Progress of the Planning Application for MOR006".

- Cllr. M. Dennett raised the issue of the erratic approach by West Berkshire Council to the NDP, with regards to planning applications. It was decided to identify relevant examples and write to Gary Lugg, Head of Planning, requesting for the NDP to be referred to in all cases.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm