



Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Planning Committee Meeting

Meeting held on 23rd January 2018 in the Parish Council Office, 27 Victoria Road, Mortimer, RG7 3SH at 5.15pm

Present:

Councillors: Cllr. M. Dennett (Chairman), Cllr. D. Ives, 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 were present.

18/08 **To receive Apologies**

Cllr. N. Kiley

18/09 **Public Session**

None

18/10 **To receive Declarations of Interest**

None

18/11 **To receive and approve the minutes for the Planning Committee meeting held on Thursday 11th January 2018**

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

18/12 **To consider the following planning applications:**

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Proposal</u>
17/03385/HOUSE	Westhill, West End Road, RG7 3TP	Increase in size of the bedroom on 2nd floor and addition of shower room. Pitched roof added to flat roof dormer.
No Objections		
17/03490/HOUSE	3 Bilberry Gardens, Mortimer, RG7 3WU	Retrospective application for solar panel installation (20 x solar PV modules to the main roof and 10 x solar PV modules to the garage roof).
<u>SMPC Comments</u> The Committee has no objections in principle, but the installation may be disproportionate to the size of the house and if it was street facing then the Committee would have concerns with regards to the overall appearance.		
17/03513/HOUSE	26 Stephens Close, Mortimer, RG7 3TX	Single storey rear extension following demolition of conservatory
No objections		

18/13 **To review any updates and progress of the Planning Application for MOR006.**

Cllr. P. Wingfield reported that following documents and comments had been added to the planning portal:

- Highways would want a pedestrian refuge to be included, to both increase visibility and to prevent motorists from overtaking.
- Planning and Countryside (Open Space) would want the 2 LAPS to be substituted with a LEAP. The Committee did not want a LEAP because it is a formal area and would impinge on the public space.
- Transport and Countryside (Land Drainage) state that with the 1 in 100 year storm, the swale will overflow by 12.5 m³. They do not believe this design includes drainage for the school site and request details on how surface runoff from the school will be managed.
- CPRE object to it on the grounds that more of the internal roads should be "Home Zones".
- Comments from Representation Letters include: non-conformity with regards to the West Berkshire Council's landscape survey; the general location of the site; concerns with regards to traffic; new properties being too close to existing properties; factual inaccuracies.

18/14 **To receive an update on West Berkshire Council's proposal not to supply printed plans unless paid for by the Parish Council.**

The Committee felt that, in most cases, A3 copies of Planning Applications are probably adequate. Whilst the proposed cost of printing the required documents is acceptable, consideration must be given to cost in manpower in organising and/or overseeing the printing. It was **AGREED** that displaying plans electronically, with the correct software, will be the best solution. Cllr. M Dennett will liaise with the Communications Committee to procure the required equipment.

18/15 **Minor Matters for Information Only**

Cllr. P. Wingfield enquired about an update on the construction at the bottom of The Street. The Deputy Clerk will contact the Enforcement Officer at West Berkshire Council for an update.

The meeting closed at 5.55pm