



Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Planning Committee Meeting

Meeting held on Thursday, 13th September 2018 in the Methodist Church Hall, West End Road, Mortimer, RG7 3TB
at 6:45 pm

Present:

Councillors: Cllr. M. Dennett (Chairman), Cllr. K. Johnson, Cllr. L. Jones,
Cllr. N. Kiley, Cllr. C. Lewis, Cllr. T. Reade and Cllr. P. Wingfield

Assistant to
the Clerk:

B. O'Reilly

Public/Press:

There were no Members of the Public and no Members of the Press present.

18/90 **To receive Apologies:**
Cllr. Dudley Ives.

18/91 **Public Session:**
None.

18/92 **To receive Declarations of Interest:**
None.

18/93 **To receive and approve the minutes for the Planning Committee meeting held on Thursday, 26th July 2018**
The Minutes were duly received and APPROVED to be signed as a true record of the meeting.

18/94 **To consider the following planning applications:**

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Proposal</u>
18/01872/HOUSE	23A Stephens Close, Mortimer, RG7 3TX	Front extension plus conversion of front and rear hipped end roofs to gable ends.
<u>SMPC Comments:</u> This application was not able to be considered by the Parish Council in August and it was noted that it has now been refused by West Berkshire Council.		
18/02030/FULD	Ferndale Court, 6 West End Road, Mortimer Common, Reading	S73: Variation of condition 2: Approved plans, of planning permission 17/01230/FULD: Conversion of existing office building (B1) to 4 no: flats (C3).
No objections.		

18/02235/AGRIC	Butlers Lands Farm, Mortimer, Reading Berkshire RG7 2AG	Open sided sprayer filling and wash-down with bunded concrete pad and a mono-pitch corrugated tin roof, adjacent bunded concrete machinery washdown area and bio-filter treatment unit
<p><u>SMPC Comments:</u> The planning application was noted and there were no objections.</p>		
18/01640/FULD	Land to the Rear of Victoria Arms, 54 Victoria Road, Mortimer, Reading, RG7 3SE	Proposed construction of new dwellings to the rear of 54 Victoria Road, Mortimer Common (Victoria Arms Public House)
<p><u>SMPC Comments:</u> SMPC strongly objects on the grounds that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the plans only indicate two parking spaces allotted to the development behind the Public House and the site plan states this is a 3-bedroom house which would require 2.5 spaces under both WBC policy and SMPC's NDP policy (GD2). The plan shows two bedrooms plus a study upstairs which could be used as a bedroom hence requiring 2.5 car parking spaces. • the development reduces the number of available car parking spaces for the Victoria Arms Public House from the current seven to an insufficient number of only two for both the residents and the customers of the public house, thus forcing customers to use surrounding residential streets, such as Victoria Road and Windmill Road, for parking. • as a residential development, it was noted that it does not comply with the requirement for outdoor space of at least 100 sq.metre (section 1.16.4 Outdoor / Private Amenity Space of the West Berkshire Supplementary Development Plan) and is clearly an overdevelopment of the plot with regards to garden and amenities. 		

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To receive update on Planning Application decisions during August 2018

The Chairman presented an update on Planning Application decisions received during the August period which were to be reported to Full Council.

The Committee requested copies of the decision and report on 18/01337/COND1 and 18/01338/COND1 be shared to members.

It was noted that as several planning cases that had been strongly objected to had been approved by WBC and that SMPC's objections had not been received. The Chairman advised, therefore, that going forward, all submissions of SMPC's comments to WBC would be copied in to the Chairman and the Parish office

would regularly check the WBC portal that comments were received and uploaded.

18/96 **To review any updates and progress of the Planning Application for MOR006. 17/03004/OUTMAJ**

There were no updates to review at this time.

18/97 **To receive Tree Preservation Order 201/21/0971 2018 – Land at Redwoods, The Street, Mortimer RG7 3RD**

The Committee received information of a Tree Preservation Order made by West Berkshire Council which had been served on the owners and occupiers at the property known as Redwoods, off The Street, and St. John's Infant School relating to two large Wellingtonia trees on the boundary between the two properties.

18/98 **Minor Matters for Information Only:**

Having written to West Berkshire Council regarding the recent proposed waiting restriction on Parking Scheme Amendment 28, Victoria Road, Mortimer, at the Committee's request, the Chairman advised that a response had been received advising that this traffic scheme had been put under consideration as the related planning application 18/00477/FULD was still live at the time. The Committee has lodged strong objections to the planned delivery arrangements outlined in this planning application and await further updates from West Berkshire Council.

The Assistant to the Clerk advised that in connection with Enforcement Enquiry Number 18/00340/15UNAU at 36 Stephens Firs, a follow-up message had been sent to the WBC Enforcement Officer as further construction work was reported as taking place.

The meeting closed at 7.25pm.