

Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held online on Thursday, 31st March 2022 @ 7.30 pm

Present:

Councillors:

Cllr. D. Morsley (Chairman), Cllr. M. Dennett, Cllr. S. Hill, Cllr. A. Marsden, and Cllr. J. Wells

For the Clerk: -

Public/Press:

There were no members of the public or press in attendance.

In the absence of the Clerk and the Assistant to the Clerk, the Committee unanimously AGREED for Cllr. M. Dennett to take the minutes of the meeting.

Part I

21/0136 Public Session (for agenda items only)

None.

21/0137 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. C. Lewis.

21/0138 To receive any declarations of interest

Cllr. Dennett declared he was known to the applicants of 22/00701/HOUSE but only through mutual feeding of cats.

21/0139 Minutes of Last Meeting

The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 10th March 2022 were received. Cllr. Hill proposed, and seconded by Cllr. Marsden, that the Minutes be ACCEPTED. Approved by majority with one abstention.

21/0140 Items to be taken into private session

None.

21/0141 Current Projects

a. Tower House Farm (previously referred to as MOR006: Land south of Tower Gardens) Planning Application

Cllr. Hill requested confirmation that TA Fisher were installing car charging points on the development. Cllr. Morsely will make enquiries.

b. Tower House Farm (previously referred to as MOR006: Land south of Tower Gardens) Biodiversity and Green Space
None.

21/0142 Schedule of Planning Applications

The following planning applications were considered:

22/00519/CERTE: 2 Church Farm Barns, Mortimer, Reading, RG7 3LQ

Certificate of Lawfulness for the use of an existing home gym that is linked to the main house and the garage by separate doors; addition of a porch and the removal of a wall between the kitchen and the dining room.

SMPC Comments: No objections.

22/00659/HOUSE: 20 Victoria Road, Mortimer Common, Reading, RG7 3SE

Replacement of existing conservatory with rear ground floor lounge extension.

SMPC Comments: No objections.

22/00701/HOUSE: 32 The Bevers, Mortimer Common, Reading, RG7 3SP

Replacement of conservatory with single storey extension. Single storey infill to rear of house and conversion of part of garage to extend lounge.

SMPC Comments: No objections.

22/00702/HOUSE: Pine Lodge, 20 The Avenue, Mortimer Common, RG7 3QY

White-painted render on front and rear elevations, internal structural changes, repositioned windows and doors on all elevations, new velux windows, and new first floor side window replacing a side dormer window removed in 2018.

SMPC Comments: This application creates an extra bedroom (from three to four) and, therefore, 3 parking spaces are required according to standards (Stratfield Mortimer Neighbourhood Development Plan 9.2.2 Internal & External Access and Parking: GD2). These are not shown on the plans.

21/0143 Items for information only

a. Planning decisions/notices from West Berkshire Council

List of decisions were noted and received:

22/00455/COND6: Land South of Tower Gardens, The Street, Mortimer Common, Reading

Application for approval of details reserved by condition 11 (Emergency Water Supplies) of approved 19/00981/OUTMAJ - Section 73: Variation of condition 6-approved plans of approved application 17/03004/OUTMAJ: This outline application comprises two parts: Part a) The erection of 110 dwellings including

affordable housing, public open space and associated landscaping with all matters reserved other than access and layout; Part b) The erection of a 3FE Infant School and 900sq m GP surgery (Use Class D1) with shared parking area with all matters reserved other than access.

GRANTED – 21 March 2022

22/00062/HOUSE: 61 Victoria Road, Mortimer Common, Reading, West Berkshire, RG7 3SL

Two storey side and single storey rear extensions.

GRANTED - 15 March 2022

SMPC Comments: No objections.

21/03173/NONMAT: Old Fire Station, The Street, Mortimer, Reading, RG7 3PB

Application for a non-material amendment following a grant of planning permission 16/00466/FULD Section 73: Removal of Condition 3- Code for Sustainable Homes of approved application 13/00507/XFULDDemolition of 'Old Fire Station' and erection of new 3 bed dwelling. Amendments: Addition of window to side elevation. Amendment to floor plan to increase projection of side element of the house by 300mm to be consistent with original elevations. **APPROVED** – 14 March 2022

21/02455/FUL & 21/02456/ADV: 9-15 Victoria Road, Mortimer Common, Reading

Installation of plant, replacement close boarded fencing, MOE door, ventilation louvres and 3 no. internally illuminated fascia signs, 2 no. lettered non-illuminated fascia signs, 1 no. non-illuminated projecting sign, 1 no. non-illuminated service menu fascia sign, 4 no. banner frames and 3 no. non-illuminated information signs.

GRANTED- 11 March 2022

SMPC Comments: The two applications were considered together. The committee had no objections to the changes and to the advertising signs. The committee does not have the technical expertise to judge whether the noise levels from the new air conditioning and refrigeration units will have any negative effects on nearby properties particularly those in Badgers Croft.

21/03091/REG4: Mortimer St Mary's C.E. Junior School, The Street, Mortimer, Reading

Wooden, timber framed outdoor classroom in the school grounds, with open sides. The roof will be cladded with ply membrane and shingles. The open central area will be 5m diameter. The total size will be 64m2.

CANNOT BE DETERMINED – 9 March 2022

SMPC Comments: No objections.

21/02927/HOUSE: 19 Victoria Road, Mortimer Common, Reading, West Berkshire, RG7 3SH

Proposed first floor addition to include loft conversion to existing. Erect detached garage to rear garden.

GRANTED – 4 March 2022

SMPC Comments: No objections

b. Minor matters for information

- Cllr. Morsely advised that she was collating information on the posting of orange notices. Committee members were requested to photograph notices and, when possible, note when they were first posted. Cllr. Dennett reported that the notice for 22/00701/HOUSE had been posted on 30th March 2022.
- The situation at Windmill Court was discussed with emphasis on the social aspects of the proposed demolition.

21/0144 Communications

None.

21/0145 Future Agenda Items

None.

21/0146 Exclusion of Press and Public

Not required.

Close

The meeting closed at 9.04pm.