

Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held in the Methodist Church Hall, 17 West End Road, Mortimer RG7 3TB on Thursday, 15th December 2022 @ 7.30pm

Present:

Councillors:

Cllr. D. Morsley (Chairman), Cllr. D. Butler, Cllr. H. Geary, Cllr. S. Hill, Cllr. C. Lewis, Cllr. M. Lock (arrived at 19:55), Cllr. A. Marsden and Cllr. J. Wells

Clerk:

L. Hannawin

Public/Press:

There were no members of the public and no member of the press in attendance.

Part I

22/0159 Public Session (for agenda items only)

None.

22/0160 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr M. Dennett.

22/0161 To receive any declarations of interest

None.

22/0162 Minutes of Last Meeting

The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 24th November 2022 were received and APPROVED for signature by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

22/0163 Items to be taken into private session

None.

22/0164 Current Projects

The following updates on current projects were received:

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

Cllr. Morsley reported that residents from Windmill Court, looking for alternative accommodation, have been investigating affordable housing which will be provided as part of the Tower House Farm development, but the current phase is only providing larger units which are unlikely to suit.

b. Tower House Farm (previously referred to as MOR006: Land south of Tower Gardens) Biodiversity and Green Space

No updates to report.

c. Mortimer Station Car Park Planning Application

Cllr. Morsley reported that there have been no further developments with Great Western Railway nor news of potential funding from the Local Enterprise Partnership. It was agreed to look at re-establishing a station car park working party at the January meeting of the Full Council.

22/0165 Schedule of Planning Applications

To consider the following planning application and status regarding site notices:

22/02914/HOUSE: 45 Stephens Close, Mortimer Common, Reading, RG7 3TY

Ground floor rear extension with 1st floor dormer extension over, new front porch to existing private dwelling and new Conservatory in rear garden.

SMPC Comments: No objections in principal but the Committee would raise a query regarding sufficient parking spaces as this information is not provided.

22/02941/HOUSE: 2 St Catherines Hill, Mortimer, Reading, West Berkshire, RG7 3UT

Proposed ground floor rear single storey extension. Proposed remodelling of existing first floor extension to omit dormer window and replacement with hipped roof. **SMPC Comments:** No objections in principal but the Committee would raise a query regarding sufficient parking spaces as this information is not provided.

Cllr. Morsley requested the Council obtains a copy of West Berkshire Council's Supplementary Planning Document, Home Extensions.

22/0166 Items for information only

a. Decisions and Notices from West Berkshire Council

The following decisions were received:

22/02517/HOUSE: 32 St Johns Road, Mortimer Common, Reading, West Berkshire, RG7 3TR

Front infill extension and partial garage conversion to provide a new bedroom/ensuite at the entrance level of the property.

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SMPC Comments: No objections.

In addition, the Clerk reported the following decision had been received since the agenda was issued:

22/02585/HOUSE: Treloar, Loves Wood, Mortimer Common, Reading, West Berkshire RG7 2JX

Section 73: Variation of Conditions 2 (Approved Drawings) and 3 (Materials) of previously approved application 21/02180/HOUSE: New side extension, adjustments to windows and doors, amendments to existing external materials.

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SMPC Comments: No objections.

b. Minor matters for information

Cllr. Hill raised a query regarding the ventilation system being installed as part of application 22/01026FULD 6 Victoria Road and if it meets the planning agreed. This will be checked.

22/0167 Communications

Nothing.

22/0168 Future Agenda Items

Full Council – Station Car Park Working Party.

22/0169 Exclusion of Press and Public

Not required.

Close

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.