

Minutes



Listening Learning Leading

OF A MEETING OF THE

Planning Committee

HELD AT 6.00PM ON 6 APRIL 2011

AT COUNCIL OFFICES, CROWMARSH GIFFORD

Present:

Mrs P Slatter (Chairman)

Mr G Andrews, Ms J Bland, Mr F Bloomfield, Mr P Cross, Capt J Flood, Mr J Griffin, Mr A Hodgson, Mr I Lokhon, Mrs A Midwinter, Mr R Peasgood, Mr R Peirce, Mr A Rooke, Mrs M Turner

Apologies:

Mrs E Gillespie tendered her apologies.

Officers:

Mr D Burson, Ms S Crawford, Mrs K Fiander, Ms P Fox, Mr M Gammie, Ms K Gould, Mr M Gulliford

112. Election of chairman for TPO 34/2010

TPO 34/2010 was located within the chairman's ward so she would step down from the committee. The vice-chairman was not present at the meeting. A motion moved and seconded was declared carried that Capt J Flood should act as chairman for consideration of TPO 34/2010.

RESOLVED that Capt J Flood should act as chairman during consideration of TPO 34/2010.

113. TPO 34/2010, Situated on the parcel of land that lies to the west of 4 Elmcroft, and adjacent to the driveway leading to 3 Elmcroft, Goring

Mrs P Slatter, a local ward councillor, stepped down from the committee and took no part in the discussions or voting on this item.

Capt J Flood acted as chairman for the consideration of this item.

The committee considered proposals for the confirmation of tree preservation order (TPO) 34/2010, situated on the parcel of land that lies to the west of 4 Elmcroft and adjacent to the driveway leading to 3 Elmcroft, Goring, taking account of the one

objection made to the serving of the TPO. The TPO would protect eight individual trees using the individual category and four groups of trees using the group category. The objection was in relation to one of the individual trees, T1 Deodar Cedar.

RESOLVED to confirm tree preservation order no. 34/2010.

114. TPO 37/2010, Didcot Girls School, Didcot

Mrs P Slatter resumed the role of chairman for the remainder of the meeting.

Capt J Flood, a local ward councillor, stepped down from the committee and took no part in the discussions or voting on this item.

The committee considered proposals for the confirmation of tree preservation order (TPO) 37/2010 at Didcot Girls School, Didcot, subject to modification and taking account of the objections that had been made to the serving of the order. The TPO sought to protect the treescape of the Didcot Girls School site.

The order was originally served as an 'area' category TPO, which provides a blanket cover for all trees on the site. This was a provisional measure, used where the order had to be served as a matter of urgency and/or where detailed survey data was not available. The report recommended modification of this categorisation to 'individual tree' and 'group' categories prior to confirmation as per the proposed modifications included in appendix A to the Tree Officer's report.

Mr T Joslin, a local resident, and Mr T Gimigliano, representative of Didcot Girls School, spoke objecting to the TPO.

Capt J Flood, a local ward councillor, spoke objecting to the TPO.

RESOLVED to confirm tree preservation order no. 37/2010 subject to the proposed modifications set out in the Tree Officer's report.

115. TPO 2/2011, Located within a parcel of land that constitutes the rear garden of a property known as Springbank, High Street, North Moreton

Mr J Griffin declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this item because of his association with the property owner. In accordance with the councillors code of conduct he stepped down from the committee and took no part in the discussions or voting on this item.

The committee considered proposals for the confirmation of tree preservation order (TPO) 2/2011, located within a parcel of land that constitutes the rear garden of a property known as Springbank, High Street, North Moreton, taking into account the two objections made to the serving of the TPO. The TPO would protect one individual Walnut tree using the individual category.

Ms R Templeman, a representative of North Moreton Parish Council, spoke objecting to the TPO.

Mr B Price, householder, spoke objecting to the TPO.

Mr P Greene, local ward councillor, spoke objecting to the TPO.

RESOLVED to confirm tree preservation order no. 2/2011.

116. P11/W0068, Land adjacent to Marsh Bridge Cottages, Didcot

Mrs M Turner stepped down from the committee having acted as chairman when the matter was considered at Didcot Town Council. She left the council chamber and took no part in the discussion or voting on this item.

The committee considered application P11/W0068 to construct a pair of vehicular access gates and a pedestrian gate to enclose the private parking areas of the approved development of new homes, together with associated adjustment to the surrounding landscaping on land adjacent to Marsh Bridge Cottages, Didcot.

The Planning Officer reported an amendment to paragraph 6.2 of her report that should refer to 45 Wantage Road instead of 46 Wantage Road. In addition she reported that the council's health and housing team had responded to the consultation and requested an additional condition to state that the gates should have a soft-closing mechanism.

Mrs M Davies, a representative of Didcot Town Council, spoke objecting to the application.

RESOLVED to grant planning permission for application P11/W0068, Land adjacent to Marsh Bridge Cottages, Didcot, subject to the following conditions:

1. Commencement three years - full planning permission
2. Condition listing approved drawings
3. An emergency service override for the gate locking is required to be installed in order that they can gain access. A design of a mechanism to achieve this shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and the approved mechanism shall be installed prior to the first use of the gates
4. Soft-closing mechanism.

117. P11/W0091, Lantern Service Station, London Road, Milton Common (in the Parish of Great Milton)

The committee considered application P11/W0091 to erect a 1.8 metre green pallisade fence on the frontage of the site bordering London Road at Lantern Service

Station, London Road, Milton Common (in the Parish of Great Milton). The applicant would also carry out planting along the frontage of the fencing.

The planning officer reported that Great Milton Parish Council had withdrawn their objection following the receipt of the amended details.

Ms E Horne, a representative of Tiddington with Albury Parish Council, spoke objecting to the application.

Mr A Costar and Mr H Venners, applicant and agent, spoke in support of the application.

RESOLVED to grant planning permission for application P11/W0091, Lantern Service Station, London Road, Milton Common (in the Parish of Great Milton) subject to the following conditions:

1. Commencement
2. Compliance
3. A traditional field hedge shall be planted along the boundary of the land with London Road within three months of the erection of the palisade fencing or within the first planting season after the erection of the fence, whichever is sooner, and such hedge shall be so tended as to grow to and remain at a height of not less than 1.5 meters, and any plant which may die or be seriously damaged or destroyed within five years of the completion of the development shall be replaced and the replacement shall be properly maintained.

118. P11/W0204, 78 Papist Way, Cholsey

The committee considered application P11/W0204 to create a single storey extension to create a porch and shower room at 78 Papist Way, Cholsey.

RESOLVED to grant planning permission for application P11/W0204, 78 Papist Way, Cholsey, subject to the following conditions:

1. Commencement within three years
2. Constructed in accordance with the approved plans.

119. P11/W0162, Horspath Methodist Chapel, The Green, Horspath

Mr A Hodgson, a local ward councillor, stepped down from the committee and took no part in the discussions or voting on this item.

The committee considered application P11/W0162 seeking planning permission for the conversion of the chapel to a four bedroom dwelling at Horspath Methodist Chapel, The Green, Horspath. The only external alterations proposed to the

structure were the insertion of a single rooflight to serve a bathroom and changes to fenestration of the rear elevation. Internal alterations were proposed to facilitate the change of use (as amended by agent's e-mail and accompanying plans dated 25 February 2011).

The Planning Officer outlined an amendment to the report at paragraph 2.1. The second sentence should read 'The only *publicly visible* alteration is the insertion of a single rooflight...' instead of 'The only external alteration proposed to the structure is the insertion of a single rooflight...'

Mr H Venners, agent, spoke in support of the application.

RESOLVED to grant planning permission for application P11/W0162, Horspath Methodist Chapel, The Green, Horspath, subject to the following conditions:

1. Commencement within three years
2. Condition listing approved drawings
3. Withdrawal of permitted development rights classes A, B, C and D
4. Boundary treatments to be approved
5. Formation of vehicular access
6. Land contamination.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.

Chairman

Date