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Minutes of the meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held in the John Grobler Room on **Monday 10 May 2010** at 7.45pm.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs J Grimson (Chairman), D Hunt, D Jupp, J Plant, J Southgate.
Mr Peter Stuart (WBC Community Resilience officer), Cllr J Wakefield

#### 1 APOLOGIES

**1.1** none

#### 2 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

2.1 Cllr Grimson welcomed Mr Stuart to the meeting and invited him to give an overview of Wokingham Borough Council's approach towards emergency planning. Mr Stuart observed that in instances such as localised flooding and snow, such as we had seen over the winter, the principle was towards helping the vulnerable, as identified by WBC and the police. In general, resilience planning is based upon a response to 3 types of emergency ie PAN, Planned, Accidental, Natural. Planned relates to emergencies such as terrorism, industrial action, fuel shortage, where the priority is keeping the national infrastructure in place, eg emergency services, food supplies. Accidental relates to transport emergencies; Natural relates to climate change, weather.

Response to emergencies is managed at 3 levels; gold, silver, bronze. It is at the silver level of local tactical response that WBC has a duty officer ready to support the emergency services. The WBC plan is to formulate a response on the generic principle of getting the right people in the right place, communicating and making decisions.

Questions were raised by the councillors regarding where WPC could help and fit in to this structure. Mr Stuart emphasised the importance of detailed local knowledge, and a Parish Council might be better placed to gather relevant local information than WBC. Communication of this information to WBC would also be important and communication links would need to be established. Mr Stuart noted WPC's ability to offer use of the Community Centre if necessary. Mr Stuart agreed to email to the Clerk a draft Parish Emergency Plan and Guide which would give the Parish an indication of areas where it might fit in with the WBC resilience plans. Cllr Grimson thanked Mr Stuart.

Mr Stuart and Cllr Hunt left the meeting.

#### 3 SCHEDULE OF APPLICATIONS

### 3.1 The following applications were examined and NO OBJECTIONS were recorded:

# Applications received prior to the issue of the 10 May 2010 Planning Committee meeting Agenda

- F/2010/0781 23 Locksley Gardens H Wilson proposed erection of a single storey rear extension to form conservatory.
- F/2010/0878 10 Chatsworth Avenue R Rogers proposed erection of single storey side/rear extension to provide garage and conservatory (Demolition of existing garage).

# Applications received since the issue of the 10 May 2010 Planning Committee meeting Agenda

F/2010/0908 5 Woodward Close H Wilson Proposed single storey front extension to existing garage, plus first floor side extension to dwelling.

#### **Adjoining Parish applications**

F/2010/0747 23 Humber Close, Woosehill proposed erection of single storey front extension

R Rogers

# Revised applications received prior to the issue of the 10 May 2010 Planning Committee meeting Agenda

None

#### 3.2 Applications subject to OBJECTIONS

None

#### 3.3 The following DECISIONS were noted:

- 1) A/2010/0293 Jacobs House, Eskdale Road congruent **CONSENT** for application for advertisement consent for two externally illuminated fascia signs, plus four non illuminated signs.
- F/2010/0386 26 Greenwood Grove congruent **CONSENT** for proposed erection of single storey rear extension to dwelling to form office and lobby/conservatory.

- F/2010/0442 7 Laburnum Road congruent **CONSENT** for proposed erection of two storey/first storey side extension to dwelling.
- 4 A/2010/0449 Harris Corporation 1010, Eskdale Road congruent application for advertisement consent for the erection of one internally illuminated hanging sign.

#### 3.4 The following APPEALS were noted:

None

#### 4 CORRESPONDENCE

## Items of correspondence received prior to the issue of the 10 May 2010 Planning Committee meeting Agenda

The Committee noted the following correspondence:

- 1 WBC Street Naming & Numbering; Holiday Inn, Eskdale Road
- WBC; TPO at 47 Robin Hood Lane
- WBC; Enforcement Investigation Notifications
- 4 WBC Planning; no application received re windfarm at Arborfield
- WBC Licensing; Threshers, extension of consultation
  The Committee noted that Threshers is not currently open. It felt unable to comment without further information regarding the applicant and application. The Clerk will ask WBC for further details.

  ACTION: Clerk
- 6 BALC; Flood & Water Management Act 2010, overview Cllr Grimson summarised this document

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- N1 LIDL; request for views regarding suggested store at Molly Miller's Lane
- N2 WBC Street Naming & Numbering; rear of Garden Cottage, Mill Lane

#### 5 ANY ITEMS THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

- 5.1 The Clerk confirmed the time for the J11 wind turbine visit as 7.00pm start on Monday 17 May 2010. There will be room on the visit for guests.
- 5.2 The Committee discussed whether to issue an invitation to HARM to discuss windfarms. The Committee decided, as per previous Full Council and Planning Committee discussions, to invite HARM to a meeting once a planning application for a windfarm is in place. The Clerk will contact HARM to explain this.

**ACTION Clerk** 

### 6 TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

6.1 The next Planning Committee meeting will be held in the **John Grobler Room** on **WEDNESDAY 2 JUNE 2010** at **7.45pm.** 

There being no further business, the committee meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.