

Sonning Common Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held in the Village Hall on Monday 15 September 2014 at 1930 hours.

- Present:** Ms Noble (chairman), Mrs Lewis, Mr Rawlins, Mr Kedge (ex-officio), Mrs Varnes (Deputy Parish Clerk).
- P15/073** Apologies for absence: Mr Greenwood, Mr Reynolds, Mr Stoves (ex-officio).
- P15/074** Declarations of interest: none.
- P15/075** Public question time: Mr Newnham, of 24 Reades Lane, was present. Mr Newnham outlined his plans for developing his plot (P14/S2751/O) and drew the committee's attention to a potential traffic hazard arising from the proposed siting of a broadband cabinet in Ashford Avenue. It was agreed the deputy clerk would write to the installer/SODC to raise the committee's concerns. (Letter attached).
- P15/076** New applications:
- 076.01/P14/S2751/O. Outline application for the development of a four-bedroom, detached chalet-style bungalow at 24 Reades Lane RG4 9LP. The committee resolved to recommend that this application be approved.
- 076.02/P14/S2523/HH. Retrospective application for the erection of a close-board wooden fence with a trellis at 24 Kennylands Road RG4 9JT. The committee resolved to recommend that this application be approved.
- P15/077** Applications granted:
- 077.01/P14/S2191/HH. The demolition of the existing conservatory and its replacement with a new, oak-framed single-storey rear extension, plus two new first floor dormer windows, a new porch and further internal alterations at 21 Baskerville Road RG4 9LS. Noted.
- 077.02/P14/S2205/HH. The demolition of the existing conservatory and the construction of a new two-storey rear extension and side dormer window at 6 Grove Road RG4 9RL. Noted.
- 077.03/P14/S2141/HH. The proposed raising of a single-storey roof to create first floor accommodation, the construction of single-storey rear and side extensions, front entrance porch and the conversion of an integral garage into living accommodation at 1a Newfield Road RG4 9TB. Noted.
- P15/078** Applications refused: none.
- P15/079** Matters for future consideration:
- 079.01. Parish council participation in South Oxfordshire District Council's planning committee meeting of Wednesday 17 September at 1800, Council Offices, Crowmarsh Gifford, regarding the Green Lane corner application (P14/S1503/FUL). It was agreed that councillors Leigh Rawlins and Gail Noble would attend this meeting with Mr Rawlins to speak on behalf of the planning committee.
- 079.02. Preparation for the parish council planning committee meeting on Monday 22 September at 1930, Sonning Common Village Hall, to consider the Lea Meadow application (P14/S2391/FUL) to build 82 new homes. Preparation was discussed for this meeting.
- 079.03. To receive the outcome of an investigation into an alleged breach of planning control regulations over shop front signage at BB Wines, 62 Peppard Road RG4 9RP. Noted.

The meeting closed at 20.00

Chairman: Dated:

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Mr Shaun Whyman
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Ref: KidmoreEnd/PCP/JS/BDUK

Tuesday 16 September 2014

Dear Mr Whyman

I refer to your plans, on behalf of BT PLC, to install electronic communications apparatus in and around Sonning Common under permitted development legislation.

I wish to draw your attention to the proposed siting of one box (PCP008 – Ashford Avenue, S/O 43 Ashford Avenue, Sonning Common RG4 9LR).

This matter was raised during the public session at Sonning Common Parish Council's planning committee meeting of Monday 15 September. Having discussed the matter, the planning committee is concerned that the proposed cabinet would be in the line of sight of vehicles emerging from Ashford Avenue onto Reades Lane and would also be in the line of sight of residents emerging from 24 Reades Lane on to the main road.

The siting of the cabinet here would cause an unnecessary hazard that would risk the safety of road users at a junction where visibility is already poor. We therefore urge you to site the cabinet on the other side of the footpath nearest to the hedge.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. We would appreciate a response.

Yours sincerely



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Gail Noble
Chairman, Planning Committee, Sonning Common Parish Council

cc Mr Paul Lucas, Planning Department, South Oxfordshire District Council (SODC)