

Sonning Common Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held via video conference on Monday 17 August 2020 at 1900 hrs.

Due to the exceptional circumstances surrounding the Covid-19 outbreak and in line with local government policy, this meeting was conducted via video conference among committee members and a council officer.

Present: Mr Rawlins (chairman), Mr Kedge, Mr Giles, Mrs Lewis, Mr Fort, Mrs Diwell, Mr Stoves and Ros Varnes, Deputy Parish Clerk, along with Gee Harland from the Henley Standard.

P21/049 Apologies for absence: none.

P21/050 Declarations of interest: none.

P21/051 New applications:

051.01/P20/S2526/FUL. To undertake groundworks to change the existing contours of the land to create an area of level playing space for informal recreation, sport, physical activity and community events at Memorial Hall Field, Reade's Lane RG4 9LL.

Mr Rawlins noted that while there were many positive elements to the application there were some shortfalls also, including the lack of sports' pitch provision. After discussion members resolved to fully support the application.

051.02/P20/S2505/HH. The construction of two-storey side, single-storey front and rear extensions plus internal alterations at 25 Rowan Close RG4 9LD.

After discussion members resolved that they had no strong views on the application but wished for issues including parking provision and the overbearing nature of the proposal to be taken into account.

(Mr Rawlins took up chairing the meeting for this item from Mr Stoves, after arriving part way through the discussion of the previous item).

051.03/P20/S2618/HH. The proposed demolition of the existing single-storey side extensions and the construction of two-storey side and rear extensions at 15 Wood Lane Close RG4 9SP.

Members resolved that they were unable to make a recommendation on this proposal due to inadequate plans having been provided.

P21/052 Amended application:

P19/S4350/O. The construction of 26 dwellings, including affordable housing, new public open space, landscaping and surface water attenuation, with detailed vehicular access (as amended by plans received on 04 August 2020) on land to the south of Kennylands Road.

After discussion members resolved that they had no objections to the application provided that full areas of landscaping were provided to the front and rear of the site.

(Mrs Diwell joined the meeting for the discussion of this item).

P21/053 Applications granted:

053.01/P20/S0459/FUL. A permanent public access from Reade's Lane plus six new parking spaces at Memorial Hall Field, Reade's Lane RG4 9LL. Noted.

053.02/P20/S1971/HH. Single-storey side and rear extensions at 112 Kennylands Road RG4 9JX. Noted.

P21/054 Appeal dismissed:
Q3115/W/19/3241029. Appeal dismissed against the refusal of planning permission P19/S1959/FUL for a proposed new dwelling in the garden of 1 Rowan Close RG4 9LD.

Members welcomed the dismissal of this appeal.

P21/055 Update on the application for a Goods Vehicle Operators Licence for Bishopswood Camp, Gallowstree Road RG4 9BT.

Mr Rawlins updated members on his discussions with SODC planning officers about the application and informed them that SODC had lodged a holding objection to the proposal.

P21/056 Update on the emerging South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034 and the public hearing in relation to it.

Mr Rawlins provided an update on the emerging South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034.

P21/057 Matters for future agendas.

The meeting closed at 20:00.

Date of next meeting: Monday 07 September 2020 at 19:00.

Chairman:

Dated: