

**REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
ON TUESDAY 30th JULY 2013
MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE**

Chairman: Cllr Mrs J White
Councillors: *Cllr M Green
*Cllr Miss P Howell
*Cllr R Khuroya (ex officio)
*Cllr Mrs V Lantree
*Cllr G Liley
*Cllr Mrs L Sutherland (ex officio)
*Cllr S Watkins
*Cllr Mrs J Worrall

*Denotes members present.

There were no members of the public present.

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice Chairman Mrs J Worrall chaired the meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS:-

1. Neighbourhood Plan or Parish Plan

The Committee members that attended the Neighbourhood Planning training on Wednesday 3rd July felt that it was useful, informative and clear. It was felt that the Neighbourhood Plan was mainly restricted to Planning and that the Parish Plan was more open and that residents can have more say on what goes in the plan.

Cllr Liley was concerned that the residents of Chorleywood would feel that the Parish Council was telling them what to do and that the questions on the questionnaire would be related to what the Parish Council believes if appropriate. Also questioned if we could incorporate the Neighbourhood Plan into the Parish Plan.

Cllr J Worrall said that the Neighbourhood plan could not go against TRDC's Local Plan. She asked if everyone knew what was in the TRDC Local Plan. It was felt that not everyone knew what was in the Plan and that not much of Chorleywood was covered by the plan.

Cllr Watkins asked who would be administering the Plan.

Cllr Mrs J Worrall suggested that the Residents Association would be a main player. The Officers do not have enough hours to take on the extra work.

Funding will be investigated to help put the plan together.

Cllr S Watkins felt that we would be lucky to get the full funding and said that it was no good starting something if we could not continue with it. Suggestion was made that a Sub Committee is organised which will include the Associations of Chorleywood.

Cllr Mrs V Lantree felt that the Neighbourhood plan was more for protecting local assets in Chorleywood and was maybe not suitable for Chorleywood and that the Parish Plan was possibly more appropriate.

Cllr Mrs J Worrall would like something in the plan that would ensure that Chorleywood Common is fully protected.

The need for a consultation process with an open survey to all Chorleywood Residents. The survey will need to be thoroughly thought through so that it covers all aspect of Chorleywood and what is relevant to the Residents of Chorleywood.

**The Committee
RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That the Council considers taking forward the Neighbourhood Plan or the Parish Plan. If the Council decide that either is put in place it is with the assistance of volunteers from the Residents Association, Friends of Chorleywood Common and the Business Association.

2. Protecting Local Assets.

Cllr M Green felt that various properties in Chorleywood need to be protected and saved.

There is still concern with the hedge in Homefield Road - does the Parish Council start a list of assets that they want protected or continue to lobby TRDC.

Cllr Mrs J Worrall - Need further advice and information on protecting locally listed buildings.

Cllr Mrs L Sutherland - that under the Localism bill – you can register a property and the Parish Council can put a bid in to get first refusal to save the property.

**The Committee
RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That the Parish Council continues with arranging to Protect local assets.

PART 1 MINUTES

13/025 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There was one apology for absence received:- Cllr Mrs J White

13/026 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were three declarations of interest received.

13/1220/FUL - 2 Grovewood Close - Cllr M Green

13/1200/FUL - 35 Heronsgate Road - Cllr M Green

13/1239/TCA - The Firs House, Homefield Road – Tree Works – Cllr Mrs L Sutherland
Licence Application - Rootz Restaurant - Cllr G Liley.

13/027 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Committee

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the 2nd July, 2013 be approved as a true and correct record.

13/028 MATTERS ARISING

None

13/029 LETTERS OF OBJECTION/EXPLANATION

There were no letters of objection received.

13/030 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee

RESOLVED

That the attached comments be submitted to TRDC (Appendix 1).

13/031 PLANNING APPEALS

There were no planning appeals this month.

13/032 APPLICATIONS FOR WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON TREES

The Committee
RESOLVED
To note the tree applications.

13/033 PLANNING APPLICATIONS DECISIONS RECEIVED

The Committee
RESOLVED
To note the planning decisions received for the period ending 22nd July, 2013.

13/034 URGENT ITEMS

- 1. Neighbourhood Planning - see Recommendation 1.**
- 2. Protecting Local Assets. - see Recommendation 2.**
- 3. Licence Application.**

The Committee had Objections to:
The playing of music from 07.00am as the restaurant is located in a residential area with flats and properties close by.
The change of opening hours – the Committee felt that changing the opening hours to 07.00am was too early as the restaurant is located below flats and residential properties.
The Committee had no objection to the application for the exhibition of films being shown, or the supply of alcohol from 10.00am.

13/035 TRANSPORT

The Committee noted the temporary restrictions on the A404 Rickmansworth Road for works required to the BT boxes on the 23/09/13 from 20.00 to 06.00am.

The Committee noted the temporary closure of The Drive from its junction with The Clump south eastwards to a point in line with the south eastern boundary of No 6 The Drive a distance of approximately 80 metres on the 29th July, 2013 for 2 days

13/036 CLOSURE

The meeting having started at 8.00pm and finished at 9.17pm

These minutes have been read and agreed by the Chairman.

SignedDate

These minutes were agreed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Signed Date