



# PIRBRIGHT PARISH COUNCIL

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2009 at 7.00 pm in the Parish Shop  
Present were: Cllr J. Bohling (Chair), Cllr R. Richmond, Cllr J. Standing, and L. Graham (Clerk).

1. **1:1 Apologies:** Cllr R. Nevins.  
**1:2 Declarations of interest:** none.
2. **To Elect a Chairman of the Committee**  
Cllr Julian Bohling was unanimously elected to be Chairman of the Committee.
3. **3:1 Minutes of previous meeting,** on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May 2009: approved.  
**3:2 Matters arising:** none.
4. **To Review the Terms of Reference for the Committee**  
The Terms of Reference for the Committee were approved to include the responsibility to assess and discuss projects in the Parish that require a design element and present details to the Hall & Finance Committee.
5. **To discuss the following applications:**
  - 5:1 **Grove Farm Nursery, Chapel Lane** **09/T/00087**  
Removal of five Poplar trees to ground level and removal of the two lowest branches of London Plane (trees form part of G1 in Tree Preservation Order P2/201/525)  
PPC response: *With reference to the above application for tree surgery at Grove Farm Nursery, Pirbright Parish Council has No Objection to the proposal providing that a GBC-approved contractor carries out the works to retain the shape and form of the London Plane tree for the visual amenity of neighbours.*
  - 5:2 **8 Collens Field** **09/T/00089**  
Reduction in height of group of Cypress trees by 3m and crown lift to 4m above ground level by removal of lowest branches (trees comprise G1 of Tree Preservation Order P1/210/163)  
PPC response: *With reference to the above application for tree surgery at #8 Collens Field, Pirbright Parish Council has No Objection to the proposal providing that a GBC-approved contractor carries out the works to retain the shape and form of the Cypress trees for the visual amenity of neighbours.<sup>1</sup>*
6. **Any Other Business**
  - 6:1 **To Receive Reports and Updates on Planning Business**
    - 09/P/00540 (extensions at Rose Cottage, Berry Lane) – approved
    - 09/P/00580 (Certificate of Lawfulness for an extension at 5 Thompsons Close) – permitted development
    - 09/P/00503 (continued siting of temporary building at Surrey Wildlife Trust) – approved
    - 09/P/00563 (retrospective change of use for storage of building materials at Dashwood House, Guildford Road) – refused
    - 09/P/00676 (replacement new dwelling at Wydgerys, Fox Corner) – approved

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<sup>1</sup> GBC has responded to PPC's submission, stating: "The Council is unable to specify which contractor is used to carry out the tree works. However insensitive works or works that threaten the amenity value of the tree will not be accepted. In addition any approval will be granted with the condition that all works must accord with British Standards 3998:1989 'Recommendations for Works to Trees'."

**6:2 The GBC Enforcement team** has followed up on the erection of a fence and bedded area at Avila, Malthouse Lane, and concluded that there has been no break of planning control because the curtilage of the property comprises the bedded area and the fence is like for like replacement.

**6:3 Rushmoor Borough Council** has sent details of a variation of a condition to planning permission at Farnborough Airport to allow an increase in the total number of business aviation movements from 28,000 to 50,000 movements per annum.

**6:4 GBC** has issued a legal challenge to the South East plan, citing concerns that the process of identifying the area for a significant amount of development was not informed by the full environmental appraisal required by regulations, which should include consideration of alternatives to Green Belt development at Guildford.

**6:5 GBC's** committee papers for the meeting of the Executive to be held on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2009 include a report on a review of the Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area (TBHSPA) and consultation to be held from 22<sup>nd</sup> June – 10<sup>th</sup> September on the avoidance strategy 2009-2014. Measures include increased areas of Suitable Alternative Natural Green space (SANGs), which may help relieve the current stalemate on development in Pirbright, although within an exclusion zone up to 400m from the SPA boundary, there will still be a presumption against additional net new dwellings.

**6:6 DONM:** To be arranged.

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