

Sawbridgeworth Town Council

The **Minutes** of the **Town Council's Planning Committee Meeting**
held at 07.30 pm on Monday 11 November 2013
at Sayesbury Manor, Bell Street, Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire

Present

Councillor A Wincott (Chairman)
Councillor A Alder
Councillor D Filler
Councillor B Hodges

Mrs G E Abbott (Admin. Officer)
Mr R Bowran (Town Clerk)

- P 13/72** To record Apologies and Absences Apologies were received from Councillor Coysten.
Councillor Mortimer - absent
- P 13/73** Public Forum - Members of the Public are given the opportunity to comment on forthcoming Planning Applications See page 231.
- P 13/74** Declarations of Interest None.
- P 13/75** To confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 14 October 2013 page 226 and to note record kept of cancelled meeting on 28 October 2013 due to severe storm. **RESOLVED** – to confirm as a true record.
- P 13/76** **DELEGATED POWERS**
The Town Council's Planning Committee scheduled to have been held on 28 October 2013 was cancelled due to the Council Offices having no electricity after the severe storm. To confirm the comments made under delegated powers by the Town Clerk. **RESOLVED** – to confirm as a true record.
- 3/13/1725/FP/FM: 10/10/13**
78 London Road
Change of use from A1 (retail) to A3 (restaurants and cafes) and A5 (hot food takeaways) and the insertion of flue – Mr Hasan Akdogan
- The Town Council **OBJECTS** to this application. The area for parking vehicles by reason of its limited size and poor access would be likely to result in vehicles using the site overhanging the footway and adjoining highway, causing obstruction to the free and safe flow of traffic, and thereby exacerbating traffic congestion on the nearby road network. Inadequate provision is made within the site therefore the application is contrary to policy **TR7** of the Adopted Local Plan Second Review April 2007. The proposed use would be likely to result in detriment to the amenities of nearby residential properties by reason of noise and general disturbance, particularly during the hours of evening trading.

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| <p>3/13/1767/FP/MP: 08/10/13 16 Wheatley Close Proposed single storey rear extension and new access ramp. Alterations to fenestration – Mr & Mrs R Mair</p> | <p>The Town Council has NO OBJECTION.</p> |
| <p>3/13/1768/FP/SE: 07/10/13 30 Vantorts Road Single and two storey rear extensions with loft conversion – Mr & Mrs Bramley</p> | <p>The Town Council has NO OBJECTION.</p> |
| <p>P 13/77 To receive planning applications from East Hertfordshire Council.</p> | <p>RESOLVED – to make the following comments on the under mentioned applications.</p> |
| <p>3/13/1647/FP/Hi: 23/10/13 Sawbridgeworth Police Station, Cambridge Road Change of use from Office/Police House (B1) to Residential – Mr P Corbisiero</p> | <p>The Town Council has NO OBJECTION.</p> |
| <p>3/13/1756/FP/NB: 18/10/13 111A London Road Change of use of carpet shop (A1) to tanning and beauty salon (Sui generis) – Mrs Joanne Maskell</p> | <p>The Town Council has NO OBJECTION.</p> |
| <p>3/13/1793/FP/NB: 12/10/13 45 Leat Close Raised decking to rear – Retrospective – Mr Keilan Hornett</p> | <p>The Town Council STRONGLY OBJECTS to this application. The area of raised decking by reason of its size and positioning has significantly compromised the privacy to the detriment of the occupants of 46 Leat Close and The Mill House, Mill Lane. The application is contrary to policies ENV1 (l) (d) Design and Environmental Quality and ENV5 Extensions to Dwellings of the Adopted Local Plan Second Review April 2007.</p> |
| <p>3/13/1808/FP/SE: 23/10/13 16 Station Road Erection of 2no. 2 bedroomed dwelling – Mr Stuart Gardner</p> | <p>The Town Council has NO OBJECTION.</p> |
| <p>3/13/1823/FP/KH: 18/10/13 44 Pishiobury Drive Two storey side and first floor rear extensions, 2 no. Juliet balconies and new front canopy – Mr Gary Lunn</p> | <p>The Town Council has NO OBJECTION.</p> |
| <p>3/13/1847/LB/SE: 25/10/13 53A London Road Internal alterations – Mr Joseph Harling</p> | <p>NO COMMENT. The Town Council do not have the relevant expertise to make a comment on this application.</p> |
| <p>P 13/78 To receive any late Planning Applications received following the publication of this Agenda.</p> | <p>None.</p> |

P 13/79 To note Planning Decisions received from East Hertfordshire Council. **NOTED:** the report on planning application decisions now received.

3/13/15/36/LB

Spring Cottage, 23 Vantorts Road

Repairs to roof, remove flowerbed and repair brickwork, damp proof front wall and replaster, add film to ground floor front windows and front door new electricity consumer board **Granted (No Comment)**

3/13/1562/FP

17 Bell Street

Change of use of double garage to bedsit and garage **Granted (No Objection)**

P 13/80 PLANNING APPEALS

To receive notification and decisions from E.H.C. of Planning Appeal(s)

3/13/0385/FP

7 Church Walk

First floor rear extension, front porch extension and alterations This appeal is allowed and planning permission is granted.

3/13/1118/FP

Land to rear of, The Forebury Substation, The Forebury

Erect new detached four bedroom dwelling with associated garage and parking (amended scheme) Notification of an appeal to be determined by the written representations procedure.

The Meeting closed at 08.05 pm

Signed _____

Dated _____

COMMENTS MADE BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
PRIOR TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 11 NOVEMBER 2013

Re: Agenda Item No. P 13/73 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM EHC

3/13/1793/FP/NB: 12/10/13

45 Leat Close

Raised decking to rear – Retrospective – Mr Keilan Hornett

Mr & Mrs Weatherley – *STRONGLY OBJECTS* to the above proposal. They feel that:

- complete invasion of privacy into back garden, patio area, conservatory, hallway and rear bedrooms
- stairs have been erected next to 46 Leat Close boundary which has obvious privacy and security implications (access from river).
- additional stairs were built although 45 Leat Close already has access to the river via the original concrete steps
- planning application description is misleading and should read extension to existing garden by erecting raised decking
- built while away on holiday

Mr & Mrs Fish - *STRONGLY OBJECTS* to the above proposal. They feel that:

- complete invasion of privacy into back garden, patio area and all rooms at the rear of the property
- increase in noise disturbances
- the land the decking has been built on is not in the ownership of the Hornett's