

# Sawbridgeworth Town Council

The **Minutes** of the **Town Council's Planning Committee Meeting**  
held at 07.30 pm on Monday 09 December 2013  
at Sayesbury Manor, Bell Street, Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire

## Present

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

Mrs G E Abbott (Admin. Officer)  
Mr R Bowran (Town Clerk)  
Mrs J Kenny (Town Projects Manager)

- P 13/89** To record Apologies and Absences Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Coysten.
- P 13/90** Public Forum - Members of the Public are given the opportunity to comment on forthcoming Planning Applications See page 236.
- P 13/91** Declarations of Interest None.
- P 13/92** To confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 25 November 2013 page 232. **RESOLVED** – to confirm as a true record.
- P 13/93** To receive planning applications from East Hertfordshire Council. **RESOLVED** – to make the following comments on the under mentioned applications.

### **3/13/2032/FP/MP: 28/11/13 Eversley, London Road**

Sub division of existing building into 2no. 3 bedroomed houses and the erection of 2no. 4 bedroomed dwellings with associated landscaping and access – Mr Guy Baker (Mantle Estates)

The Town Council have no objection to the proposed conversion of Eversley House but **OBJECT** to the erection of 2no. 4 bedroomed dwellings with terraces. The Committee would like to draw the Case Officer's attention to the fact that the Site Location Plan is out of date. This does not show the extensions to Beechwood or Oakroyd properties and that Acorn Cottage does not exist. The north west elevation plan shows that the positioning of the 2 new dwellings as being down the hill from Eversley but that the ridge line will be higher and that the design would be out of keeping with the street scene. The proposed terrace of new dwelling number 4 would significantly compromise the privacy to the detriment of the occupants of Beechwood and Oakroyd. The application is contrary to policies **ENV1 (l) (d)** Design and Environmental Quality and **ENV5** Extensions to Dwellings. The proposed new access onto the already congested London Road would be on a crest of a hill, within a very short distance from pedestrian traffic lights and therefore contrary of policy **TR2 Access to New Developments** of the Adopted Local Plan Second Review April 2007.

**3/13/2027/FP/MP: 28/11/13**

**Central Surgery, Bell Street**

Alterations of the existing surgery building and a new build two storey extension. Works include the reconfiguration of the existing internal layout, alterations to windows and doors, reorganisation of the site boundary, works of hard landscape and reconfiguration of the existing car park – Mrs Deborah Kearns

The Town Council has **NO OBJECTION**.

**3/13/1770/LB/SE: 25/11/13**

**The Gardens 2 Great Hyde Hall, Hatfield Heath Road**

Proposed rooflight – Mr & Mrs Ross

**NO COMMENT.** The Town Council do not have the relevant expertise to make a comment on this application.

**3/13/1976/FP/SE: 25/11/13**

**Little Beazleys, West Road**

Demolition of existing curtilage listed nissen hut and replaced with 3no bay cart shed – Mr & Mrs Greg Redman

The Town Council has **NO OBJECTION**.

**3/13/1977/LB/SE: 25/11/13**

**Little Beazleys, West Road**

Demolition of existing curtilage listed nissen hut and replaced with 3no bay cart shed – Mr & Mrs Greg Redman

**NO COMMENT.** The Town Council do not have the relevant expertise to make a comment on this application.

**3/13/2018/PH/SE: 18/11/13**

**7 The Forebury**

Single storey rear extension with glass lantern. Depth 4.5 metres: Maximum height 3.3 metres: Eaves height 2.6 metres

The Town Council has **NO OBJECTION**.

**3/13/2023/FP/KH: 22/11/2013**

**39 Barnard Road**

Single storey side and two storey rear extension – Mr Mark Vintinner

The Town Council has **NO OBJECTION**.

**3/13/2030/FP/KH: 03/12/13**

**10 Newton Drive**

Change of use of garage to habitable accommodation – Mr Robert Hounslow

The Town Council has **NO OBJECTION**.

**3/13/2041/FP/SE: 27/11/13**

**23 Vantorts Road**

Single storey rear extension and insertion of ground floor windows to rear and side elevations – Mr & Mrs N Goodwin

The Town Council has **NO OBJECTION**.

**3/13/2044/LB/SE: 27/11/13**

**23 Vantorts Road**

Erection of single storey rear extension following demolition of existing extension. Insertion of ground floor windows to rear and side elevations – Mr & Mrs N Goodwin

**NO COMMENT.** The Town Council do not have the relevant expertise to make a comment on this application.

**3/13/2070/FP/MP: 28/11/13**

**Toorak, Redricks Lane**

Creation of roof terrace with balustrade and insertion of doors – Mr David Young

The Town Council has **NO OBJECTION**.

**3/13/2092/FP/NB: 03/12/13**

**22 Hoestock Road**

Erection of rear extension – Retrospective – Miss Elizabeth Scurfield The Town Council has **NO OBJECTION.**

**P 13/94** To receive any late Planning Applications received following the publication of this Agenda.

**3/13/2084/AD/FM: 04/12/13**

**121 London Road**

2no. internally illuminated fascia signs – Mr Gary Benskin

The Town Council **OBJECTS** to this application. The proposed illuminated fascia signs would front an extremely busy double roundabout causing a distraction for road users. The site is within the conservation area and is therefore out of keeping with the street scene. The application is contrary to policy **BH15 (b)** Advertisements in Conservation Areas.

**3/13/2121/FP/MP: 06/12/13**

**26 Newton Drive**

Ground floor bay window extension – Mr & Mrs Andy Labbett The Town Council has **NO OBJECTION.**

**P 13/95** To note Planning Decisions received from East Hertfordshire Council. **NOTED:** the report on planning application decisions now received.

**3/13/1678/FP**

**2 New Street**

First floor rear extension

**Granted  
(No Objection)**

**3/13/1725/FP**

**78 London Road**

Change of use from A1 (retail) to A3 (restaurants and cafes) and A5 (hot food takeaways) with associated alterations and the insertion of flue

**Granted  
(Objected)**

**3/13/1756/FP**

**111A London Road**

Change of use of carpet shop (A1) to tanning and beauty salon (Sui generis)

**Granted  
(No Objection)**

**3/13/1767/FP**

**16 Wheatley Close**

Proposed single storey rear extension and new access ramp. Alterations to fenestration.

**Granted  
(No Objection)**

**3/13/1768/FP**

**30 Vantorts Road**

Single and two storey rear extensions with loft conversion and replacement chimney stack

**Granted  
(No Objection)**

**3/13/1793/FP**

**45 Leat Close**

Raised decking to rear - retrospective

**Refused  
(Strongly objected)**

The Meeting closed at 08.40 pm

Signed\_\_\_\_\_

Dated\_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS MADE BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**  
**PRIOR TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**HELD ON 09 DECEMBER 2013**

**Re: Agenda Item No. P 13/90 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM EHC**

**3/13/2032/FP/MP: 28/11/13**

**Eversley, London Road**

Sub division of existing building into 2no. 3 bedroomed houses and the erection of 2no. 4 bedroomed dwellings with associated landscaping and access – Mr Guy Baker (Mantle Estates)

**Mr & Mrs Nicolls and Mrs E Griffiths – STRONGLY OBJECT** to the above proposal. They feel that:

- complete invasion of privacy into the back gardens, patio area and rear rooms of their properties.
- the Site Location Plan is out of date. This does not show the extensions to Beechwood or Oakroyd properties and that Acorn Cottage does not exist.
- the design would be out of keeping with the street scene
- the access onto the already congested London Road would be on a crest of a hill and within a very short distance from pedestrian traffic lights