

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee Held on 8 November 2005 in the Large Hall of the Town Hall

PRESENT: Councillor R Golding – Chair
Councillor P Dolman – Vice Chair
Councillor Mrs M J Baggs (In attendance)
Councillor D Bland
Councillor Mrs E M Bland (In attendance)
Councillor Mrs L E Hammond
Councillor J R Ireland
Councillor C J Viner – Deputy Town Mayor

OFFICER: Mrs A Kingdon – Town Clerk

SECRETARY: Mr K M O’Daly

There were 24 members of the public present. Mr G Simpson represented the press.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mrs Simpson **Page Close**

Mrs Simpson said she disagreed with this application as it would be impossible for emergency vehicles to access this area satisfactorily.

Mr Bryant **Page Close**

Mr Bryant stated all residents objected to Westlea Housing Association’s application. There are 41 houses in Page Close with only 13 parking spaces. There are not enough parking spaces for the cars now and with insufficient parking in other roads this area has overspill from them. The existing garages also provide vital storage space for those renting them.

98/05 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Mrs C J Bowyer – Town Mayor, Councillor M J Harris and Councillor R J Stigwood.

99/05 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Development Control Meeting held on Tuesday 25th October 2005, having previously been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

100/05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Member	Item	Interest	Action
Councillor R Golding	05/02710/FUL	Councillor R Golding has a non-pecuniary interest as a tenant of Westlea Housing Association.	Remain in the meeting, take part in the discussion and use casting vote if required.

101/05 PLANNING APPLICATIONS – SCHEDULE 14 / 2005/2006

Informed by the information available at the meeting, the following decisions were taken by the Calne Town Councillors. Councillors also serving on the District Council will consider the matter afresh at District level in the light of all the evidence presented to them at that time, including the relevant officer's report.

Application Number	Location of Development	Description of Development
1. 05/02710/FUL	Land between 34 & 35 Page Close	Demolition of existing garages and erection of two dwellings and creation of nine new parking bays.
<p>Members UNANIMOUSLY did not support this application under the Local Plan RH8, 1 and 4 and felt that the application should also be refused on the following grounds:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Loss of open space amenity land. 2. Unsatisfactory emergency vehicle access and egress. 3. Difficult access and egress for refuse collection vehicles. 4. Loss of car parking causing overspill to other areas. 5. Loss of garages. <p>Members were also concerned that there are empty Westlea Housing Association homes vacant elsewhere in Town.</p>		

Councillor Mrs M J Baggs left the meeting at 6.43 p.m.

Application Number	Location of Development	Description of Development
2. 05/02412/FUL	16 Zander Road	Alterations to existing car port to form garage.
Members supported this application.		
3. 05/02579/COU	1 Swaddons Mill Horsebrook	Change of use to residential and alterations.
Members strongly supported this application which would enhance and rescue a building gradually falling into disrepair.		
4. 05/02627/FUL	377 Quemerford	Conversion and extension of existing garage to form one dwelling.
<p>Members UNANIMOUSLY did not support this application under the Local Plan RH15, 4 and 6.</p> <p>Members felt that this was back land development in an area where members have striven to prevent such unacceptable development.</p>		
5. 05/02630/TCA	19 The Green	Fell one laburnum tree.
Members supported this application and ask if a smaller tree could replace the one to be felled.		
6. 05/02706/TPO	18 Ebor Paddock	Tree surgery to lime tree.
Members supported this application but requested the tree be left in keeping with other Lime trees in the area.		

102/05 PLANNING APPLICATIONS DECISIONS LIST 13/ 2005/2006

Planning Application decisions received on List 13/2005/06 were noted.

103/05 NORTH WILTSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

An e-mail from NWDCs Landscape Planning Officer explaining the reasons for approving Planning Application 05/02063/TPO (Tree surgery to Lime Trees at Lower Quemerford Mill) contrary to comments made by Calne Town Council's Development Control Committee on 30 August 2005, was noted.

104/05 NORTH WILTSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL – STREET NAMES

104/05.1 108 – 110 Oxford Road, Calne

Having been requested by Land Charges North Wiltshire District Council and the Developers (McCarthy Stone) to reconsider the street name, previously submitted at Minute 88/05, for 108-110 Oxford Road as PENNSYLVANIA DRIVE, members of the Committee members debated the following names submitted by the developers:

HARRIS COURT
MARSH COURT
PRIESTLEY COURT
ST EDMUND COURT

Members discounted HARRIS COURT as this was already allocated as a street name and PRIESTLEY (Grove) already exists.

Proposed by Councillor C J Viner – Deputy Town Mayor, and Seconded by Councillor Mrs L E H Hammond that this development be named MARSH COURT:

Members for the proposal:	2
Members against the proposal:	3

The proposal therefore fell for lack of support.

Members subsequently voted that **PENNSYLVANIA COURT** should stand, as previously submitted. The Town Clerk stated that if an impasse was reached the NWDC Senior Land Charges Officer would have to arbitrate.

104/05.2 149 – 151 London Road, Calne

A letter was read from NWDC, SN/Calne/BH/BT dated 26 October 2005, notifying Calne Town Council that NWDC had selected **WOODLAND VIEW** as the street name for this new development. Members requested the Town Clerk to write to North Wiltshire District Council in the strongest possible terms expressing their concern that another submission for a Street Name has been overridden and that **ADMIRAL**, as previously submitted from the Town Councils adopted list, be reconsidered. Members noted that WOODLAND (PARK) already exists as a street name in Calne, which could cause confusion.

The meeting closed at 7.25 p.m.

Signature: _____

Date: November 2005