#### CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held on 6 FEBRUARY 2020

**PRESENT**: Councillor D Phillips - Chairman

J MacBean - Vice Chairman

Councillors: J Burton

M Harrold C Jones P Jones N Rose J Rush J Waters C Wertheim

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from Councillors J Gladwin, S Patel and M Titterington

### 99 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 9 January 2020, copies of which had been previously circulated, were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

### 100 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor J Rush declared a personal interest in planning application PL/19/0173/FA. Nature of interest – Councillor Rush and his wife used to be members of the club many years ago and, his wife still occasionally played social matches there. They knew several members as friends including one friend who used to be the Club Secretary.

# 101 TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

Tree Preservation Order No. 9 Of 2019

Land At Little Missenden Church Of England School, Village Road, Little Missenden HP7 0RA

#### **RESOLVED**

That having duly considered the objections the Tree Preservation Order No. 9 of 2019 made on 20 August 2019 be confirmed without modification.

Tree Preservation Order No. 11 Of 2019

Land At Fairlawns, Coleshill Lane, Winchmore Hill HP7 0NT

#### **RESOLVED**

That having duly considered the objection the Tree Preservation Order No. 11 of 2019 made on 4 September 2019 be confirmed without modification.

### 102 ITEMS FOR NOTING

**RESOLVED -**

That the reports be noted.

# 103 REPORTS ON LOCAL AUTHORITY LIST OF APPLICATIONS

<u>Amersham</u>

PL/20/0095/AV Ward: Amersham On The Hill

Proposal: Non Illuminated stainless steel sign displaying the wording "Buckinghamshire Council", plus logo, to be affixed to external wall of building.

King George V House, King George V Road, Amersham, Buckinghamshire HP6 5AW

It was reported at the meeting that there had been no representations received from the Town Council or Third Parties regarding this application.

Officers advised Members that the Planning Committee could determine this application as it was not an application submitted by the Council and Officers recommended the Committee grant conditional Advertisement Consent.

#### **RESOLVED**

#### **Conditional Advertisement Consent**

### 104 REPORT ON MAIN LIST OF APPLICATIONS

#### **RESOLVED -**

- 1. That the planning applications be determined in the manner indicated below.
- 2. That the Acting Chief Executive be authorised to include in the decision notices such Planning Conditions and reasons for approval, or reasons for refusal as appropriate, bearing in mind the recommendations in the officer's report and the Committee discussion.

### **APPLICATIONS**

PL/19/0173/FA

Gerrards Cross Tennis Club, Bull Lane, Chalfont St Peter, Buckinghamshire SL9 8RN

Speaking for the Parish Council, Councillor Tony Shinner Speaking for the Objectors, Mr Kingsley Grimble Speaking for the applicant, Mrs Victoria Dover

It was reported at the meeting that a further 5 letters of objection had been received covering points already outlined in the report. A consultation response from Bucks County Council, as the Lead Local Flood Authority, had also been received, raising an objection due to the lack of suitable provision to deal with surface water runoff.

Officers verbally amended the recommendation to Refuse Permission, for one reason:

"The proposed development would increase surface water runoff due to an increase in impermeable surfaces within the site. The sustainable drainage information submitted proposes to use infiltration to dispose of this surface water runoff. The submitted calculations are based on an assumed infiltration rate rather than site specific ground testing. As such it has not been demonstrated that infiltration is a satisfactory way of dealing with the increased runoff and it has not been shown that the proposed development would not contribute to, or intensify, the risk of flooding on the site or surrounding areas. As such, the proposal is contrary to Local Plan Policy GC10, Core Strategy Policy CS4 and the Sustainable Construction and Renewable Energy SPD."

## **RESOLVED**

## **Permission refused** for the following reasons:

In addition to the above reason for refusal, Members voted to also refuse the development for the following reasons:

- 1. The proposed development would surface water runoff due to an increase in impermeable surfaces within the site. The sustainable drainage information proposes to use infiltration to dispose of this surface water runoff. The submitted calculations are based on an assumed infiltration rate rather than site specific ground testing. As such it has not been demonstrated that infiltration is a satisfactory way of dealing with the increased runoff and it has not been shown that the proposed development would not contribute to, or intensify, the risk of flooding on the site or surrounding areas. As such, the proposal is contrary to Local Plan Policy GC10, Core Strategy Policy CS4 and the Sustainable Construction and Renewable Energy SPD.
- 2. Due to its size, form and materials, the proposed dome would be excessively prominent and incongruous in the area, appearing as an alien

feature; the visibility of the dome would be exacerbated in part by the loss of some frontage vegetation in order to achieve the visibility splays needed to provide a safe access and egress to the proposed car park.

- 3. The size of the proposed dome is such that it would be highly visible from the adjacent dwellings and their gardens, and the adjacent bowls club, thus appearing intrusive and impacting on their amenity.
- 4. The proposed housing would entail the loss of land currently used for sports.

Note 1: The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 7.45 pm and the meeting reconvened at 7.50 pm.

PL/19/3006/FA

Land at Rear of and adjacent to 212 Chartridge Lane, Chesham, Buckinghamshire HP5 2SF

Speaking for the application, Mr Mark Boyd

Officers verbally updated Members that Conditions 5 and 9 in the report require the submissions to be made "in writing" and recommended that these words be added to these conditions.

## **RESOLVED**

**Conditional Permission** 

The meeting ended at 8.01 pm