

Present: Chairman, Councillor C I Pye
The Mayor, Councillor Mrs G Dodds
Councillor A J Follett (substitute for Councillor C W Gibson)
Councillor Miss L M Hillier
Councillor D Nimmo-Smith
Councillor S Smith
Deputy Mayor, Councillor Mrs E Hodgkin (ex-officio)

In Attendance: Councillor Mrs R Myer
Mr M W Kennedy – Town Clerk
Mrs L A Martin – Minute Taker

Also Present: 1 Member of the Press
5 Members of the Public

3788. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors T B Buckett, MBE and C W Gibson

3789. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were reminded that, under the provisions of Part 2 of the Local Government Act 2000 (The Code of Conduct), a member with a personal interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered must disclose to that meeting the existence and nature of that interest at the commencement of that consideration, or when the interest becomes apparent. A member with a personal interest in a matter also has a prejudicial interest in that matter if the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the member's judgment of the public interest. A member with a prejudicial interest in any matter must withdraw from the room or chamber where a meeting is being held whenever it becomes apparent that the matter is being considered at that meeting, unless he has obtained a dispensation from the standards committee of the responsible authority; and not seek improperly to influence a decision about that matter. For the purposes of this Part (of the Act), "meeting" means any meeting of the authority; or any of the authority's committees, sub-committees, joint committees or joint sub-committees

Councillor Mrs G Dodds declared a personal interest in P09/E0107- involved in Henley Municipal Charities

Councillor Miss L M Hillier declared a personal interest in P09/E0324 - member of Phyllis Court

3790. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 April 2009 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

3791. OBJECTIONS

None

3792. PLANS (Amended)

P09/E0120

14 Kings Road

AMENDED

Two storey rear extension with room in roof above.

HTC Observation:

10.03.2009

OBSERVATION:

Recommend refusal - Henley Town Council objects to this application due to it being over intensive, out of character and of an inappropriate design in a Conservation Area.

OBSERVATION:

Re-iterate recommend refusal for reasons previously stated

P09/E0169/A

9-11 Bell Street

AMENDED

Building signage for Sainsbury's. 1 x 450mm sign internally illuminated letters, mounted on 1315mm high fascia. 2 x 1100mm x 900mm projecting sign, double sided internally illuminated. 2 x vinyl lettering and pictures applied to the inside of shop front glazing. 1 x duo-bond panel attached to glazing for ATM.

HTC Observation:

31.03.2009

OBSERVATION:

Recommend refusal – The application is out of keeping with the conservation area by virtue of the obtrusive fascia and internally illuminated vinyl lettering which are contrary to the shop front design guide. Although replacing an existing fascia which itself was inappropriate to this location, this is the perfect opportunity to create an individual and innovative shop front that respects the basic principles of traditional design and also pay all due regard to the existing character of this Conservation Area and the town's main shopping street.

OBSERVATION:

Re-iterate recommend refusal for reasons previously stated

P09/E0241

7 Adam Court

AMENDED

Change of use from B1 offices to two residential units

HTC Observation:

14.04.2009

OBSERVATION:

No strong views

OBSERVATION:

Re-iterate no strong views

P09/E0301

9 Elizabeth Close

AMENDED

First floor rear extension. Single storey front extension incorporating porch, garage and lounge extension. Partial conversion of existing garage to habitable space.

- HTC Observation: 14.04.2009
OBSERVATION: Recommend refusal – Henley Town Council objects to this application due to its bulk, un-neighbourly appearance and over intensive use of site - regrets loss of garage.
- OBSERVATION: Re-iterate recommend refusal for reasons previously stated**
- 3793. PLANS (new)**
P09/E0107/RLB **8, 13 & 15 Church Avenue** (Other-North Ward- JB, LMH)
Retention of 3 communal tv aerial dishes at the rear of 8, 13 & 15.
For: Henley Municipal Charities
- OBSERVATION: No strong views**
Councillor Mrs G M Dodds abstained from the vote
- P09/E0219** **Imperial Hotel, 25 Station Road** (Minor)
Conversion of attic space into Manger/Proprietor accommodation. New dormer window. Extension to lift shaft to attic space (amendment to P07/E0018)
For: Mr R Crocket
- OBSERVATION: No strong views**
- P09/E0242** **55 Bell Street** (Minor)
Change of use of unit 2 in former Public House to A5 (hot food shop) and installation of extractor duct to the rear.
For: Domino Pizza Group Ltd
- OBSERVATION: No strong views**
- P09/E0243/LB** **55 Bell Street** (Other-North Ward - JB, LMH)
Converion of unit 2 of former Public House to hot food shop to include installation of extractor duct to the rear.
For: Domino Pizza Group Ltd
- OBSERVATION: No strong views**
- P09/E0246** **Radnor Close** (Minor)
Erection of automated entry gates on private no through road facing privately owned drive.
For: Mrs P Christmas (Radnor Close Management Ltd)
- OBSERVATION: Recommend refusal – inappropriate in or adjacent to, a conservation area**
- P09/E0284** **38 New Street** (Other-North Ward- JB, LMH)
Erect first floor rear extension to create new first floor bathroom and enlarged bedroom with alterations to ground floor to create w.c. and utility area.
For: Mr N Chiswell
- OBSERVATION: No strong views**

- P09/E0285/LB** **38 New Street** (Other-North Ward- JB, LMH)
Erect first floor rear extension. Insert conservation rooflight in roof. Internal alterations to create bathroom in first floor bedroom and utility area and w.c. from existing bathroom.
For: Mr N Chiswell
OBSERVATION: **No strong views**
- P09/E0307** **The Boat Store, 40 New Street** (Minor)
Renovation, refurbishment and addition of first floor, removal of roof etc to convert B1 offices to two bed dwelling.
For: Courtcroft Properties Ltd
OBSERVATION: **No strong views**
- P09/E0309** **Station House, Wyndale Close** (Other-South Ward- TBB, RM)
Demolition of existing single storey extensions.
Construction of single and two storey extensions.
For: Mr & Mrs A Weller
OBSERVATION: **No strong views**
- P09/E0324** **Phyllis Court Club, Phyllis Court Drive** (Minor)
Alterations to the building for the installation of a lift.
For: Mr G Owen (Phyllis Court Club)
OBSERVATION: **No strong views**
- P09/E0338** **8 Hamilton Avenue** (Other-South Ward- TBB, RM)
Raising of roof to facilitate first floor accommodation and dormer window to front elevation.
For: Mr & Mrs E Wilson
OBSERVATION: **No strong views**
- P09/E0342** **28 St Marks Road** (Other-South Ward- TBB, RM)
Rear single storey extension.
For: Mr & Mrs Bennett
OBSERVATION: **No strong views**
- P09/E0355** **Cleve Cottage, 24a St Marks Road** (Other-South Ward- TBB, RM)
Paint brickwork on ground floor of front elevation to match first floor.
For: Mr M Elliott
OBSERVATION: **No strong views**
- P09/E0377** **9-11 Bell Street** (Minor)
Replacement of the existing escape ladder with a new external fire escape staircase.
For: Mr A Phills (Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd)
OBSERVATION: **No strong views**

P09/E0382 **12 York Road** (Other-North Ward- JB, LMH)
Rear single storey extension
For: Mr R Bleakley

OBSERVATION: **No strong views**

P09/E0389 **45 St Marks Road** (Other-South Ward- TBB, RM)
Single storey extension to rear. Alterations and extensions
to existing conservatory and attic dormer.
For: Mr D Wright

OBSERVATION: **No strong views**

3794. INFORMATION ONLY

The Committee noted the information

3795. PLANNING UPDATE

The Committee noted the information

3796. PAPERLESS PLANNING

Councillors considered a report from the Town Clerk regarding training dates for a paperless planning demonstration. Councillor A J Follett felt that SODC had missed the point on the reason for Henley wanting to stay with paper plans. Councillors, including him, were computer literate and had no problems with looking at the plans electronically. The issue was for those Henley residents who for whatever reason were unable to look online. The elderly and those without access to a computer prefer paper plans as they make sense and can be easily consulted.

Councillor Mrs G M Dodds advised that although she could look online, she also valued paper plans as they were more visually effective.

Councillor A J Follett suggested that a survey be undertaken to gauge the number of residents who consult paper plans at the Town Hall.

It was agreed that SODC Planning would be invited to conduct a training session in the Town Hall on Tuesday 9th June.

The Committee RECOMMENDS

- i. that information is gathered by the One Stop Shop over the next month on the number of residents who visit the Town Hall to examine paper plans. These figures then to be advised to SODC.
- ii. that the Town Clerk invites SODC to conduct a paperless planning demonstration in the Town Hall on Tuesday 9th June.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm

Chairman