

EARLEY TOWN COUNCIL



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Dear Councillor

A meeting of the Planning Committee will be held remotely* on **Tuesday 4th May 2021** commencing at 7.30 pm.

Yours faithfully

Jo Friend

TOWN CLERK

To: Members of the Planning Committee

Councillors G Littler (Chair), A Bassett, R Cook, D Hare, A Mickleburgh, A Neal, R Sangster, M Shaw, C Smith and M Smith.

Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting which will be held using the Zoom conferencing platform. Meeting ID: 947 9946 2611 Passcode: 511004. To obtain further login details please email administration@earley-tc.gov.uk by 4pm, Tuesday 4th May 2021.

*The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive any declarations of interest from Members.

3. **PUBLIC FORUM**

To receive any questions or planning application comments from members of the public attending the meeting. The Public Forum shall usually not exceed 15 minutes. If there are no questions or comments, the Council will commence business forthwith.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

To consider the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 13th April 2021 and, if appropriate, to authorise their signing as a true and correct record.

5. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

5.1 Decision Notices Issued by the Local Planning Authority

To note the Decision Notices issued by the Local Planning Authority in respect of applications previously before the Committee.

See Appendix A

5.2 Planning Applications Received since last meeting of this Committee

To consider the applications received since the last meeting. See Weekly Lists dated 16th April, 23rd April and 30th April. Details can also be found on our website at: - <https://www.earley-tc.gov.uk/planning-applications/>

See Appendix B

5.2.1 “No Objection” Recommendations

5.2.2 “Conditional Approval” Recommendations

5.2.3 Applications Requiring a Committee Decision

5.2.4 Tree Work Applications

5.3 Permitted Development Rights

6. PLANNING APPEALS

6.1 Appeals Submitted

6.1.1 203208 – 21 Redhatch Drive, Earley, RG6 5QS

To note that an appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the decision of Wokingham Borough Council to refuse planning permission for the erection of a wall to the front of the dwelling with Steel railings and automated entrance gate (Retrospective) *Appeal Ref: APP/X0360/D/21/3267585*

6.2 Enforcement Appeal Submitted

6.2.1 210509 – 21 Redhatch Drive, Earley, RG6 5QS

To note that an appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the decision of Wokingham Borough Council to issue an enforcement notice for the Breach alleged without planning permission, the erection of a brick wall, including pillars and railings, above 1 metre in height, adjacent to the highway.

Linked to Appeal 3267585/203208.

7. **PLANNING ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS**

To note the Planning Enforcement figures from Wokingham Borough Council for April 2021 have not yet been received.

8. **PLANNING PRESENTATION FROM ACER**

To receive a short presentation and report from ACER on the planning concerns they raised with Wokingham Borough Council and implementation of Planning Policy/Supporting Guidance.

9. **WOKINGHAM WATERSIDE CENTRE**

To note that still no communication has been received from Wokingham Borough Council as to the outcome of the Planning Officer's visit. The Deputy Town Clerk has sent a chasing email.

10. **WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL'S TREE STRATEGY**

To note that in response to ETC's letter WBC has advised that it is looking to develop a Tree Strategy and is hoping to begin work with consultants early summer. WBC will be setting up a focus group with key internal stakeholders, as well as the Wokingham District Veteran Tree Association, who will assist in shaping the strategy. Once a draft is in place, the Town and Parish Councils will be consulted in order to help form the best possible strategy for the borough.

11. **WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL'S SPEED LIMIT REVIEW**

To note that still no communication has been received from WBC to ETC's letter requesting a response to ETC's Speed Limit Review submission. The Deputy Town Clerk has sent a chasing email.

12. **DELEGATION OF POWERS**

- 12.1 To receive a written report from the Deputy Town Clerk on the reintroduction of delegated powers in relation to Planning should the High Court rule that virtual meetings must cease on 6th May 2021 and the practicality of holding face to face meetings.

See Appendix C

- 12.2 To **RESOLVE** the reintroduction of delegated powers, should they be required.

13. **PUBLICATIONS**

To note that no publications have been received.

14. **PRESS RELEASES**

To consider whether any of the foregoing items should receive special press attention.

15. **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

*To **RESOLVE** that, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable that the public and press are temporarily excluded and are asked to withdraw for item 16 on the Agenda.*

16. ADVISOR TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE AGREEMENT 202

- 16.1 To note the extension to the original agreement between Earley Town Council and the Planning Advisor in relation to the dates was unclear from the minutes of 8th December 2020 and due to an oversight a recommendation was not made to the Policy & Resources Committee.
- 16.2 The Planning Committee to re-review the position and report its recommendation to the Policy & Resources Committee.

Confidential Appendix D