

WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE - 8 MAY 2024

(To be read in conjunction with the Agenda for the Meeting)

**Present**

Cllr David Beaman (Chair)	Cllr John Robini
Cllr Penny Rivers (Vice Chair)	Cllr Julian Spence
Cllr Jane Austin	Cllr Richard Steijger
Cllr Carole Cockburn	Cllr Phoebe Sullivan
Cllr Jacquie Keen	Cllr John Ward
Cllr Andrew Laughton	Cllr Terry Weldon
Cllr Alan Morrison	Cllr Graham White

**Also Present**

Cllr Jerome Davidson, Cllr Michael Goodridge

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS (Agenda item 1)

There were no apologies for absence received.

2 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (Agenda item 2)

The minutes of the meeting on 3 April 2024 were approved as an accurate and complete record.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS (Agenda item 3)

Cllr Alan Morrison declared an interest as a member of the Surrey Wildlife Trust.  
Cllr Jane Austin declared an interest in agenda item 13.3, noting that she knew the applicant personally.

4 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (Agenda item 4)

There were none received.

5 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS (Agenda item 5)

There were none received.

6 ANY RELEVANT UPDATES TO GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE OR LEGISLATION SINCE THE LAST MEETING (Agenda item 6)

The Executive Head of Planning Development addressed the Committee and noted that there had been secondary legislation introduced through the Levelling Up and

Regeneration Act 2023 relating to enforcement matters. There will be an all-Member briefing set up to brief Members on this.

The Committee requested that plans, drawings and block plans are submitted to Members prior to the meeting in order to make fully informed decisions.

7 APPLICATIONS SUBJECT TO PUBLIC SPEAKING (Agenda item 7)

7.1 WA/2023/01467 - Land off Old Park Lane, Farnham (Agenda item 7.1)

There was a motion proposed by the Chair to defer the application for further review of SANG capacity for the site.

There was a unanimous vote in favour and the motion was carried.

The Committee resolved to **DEFER** the application to a later date to allow further review of SANG provision.

7.2 WA/2024/00277 - Land at 1 The Oaks, Coxcombe Lane, Chiddingfold (Agenda item 7.2)

In accordance with the Council's public speaking scheme, the following made representations which were duly considered:

- Ms Jenny Thomas – in objection
- Matt Kiernan – the applicant in support

Following the debate the Committee voted on the recommendations set out in the report. There were 14 votes in favour and the motion was passed unanimously.

The Committee resolved to **GRANT** permission, subject to conditions.

7.3 WA/2023/02786 - Land at Willowhayne, Barnett Lane, Wonersh, Guildford, GU5 0RU (Agenda item 7.3)

In accordance with the Council's public speaking scheme, the following representations were made and duly considered:

- Mr John Child – in objection
- Mr Michael Connolley – applicant in support
- Cllr Stephen Lavender – Wonersh Parish Councillor
- Cllr Michael Goodridge – Ward Councillor

Following the debate, the Chairman invited the Committee to vote on the recommendation set out in the report. There were 10 votes in favour, 2 abstentions and 1 vote against. (Cllr Jane Austin recused herself from the vote as Ward Councillor)

The Committee resolved to **GRANT** permission, subject to conditions.

7.4 WA/2023/02240 - Land at Little Heath, Linkside West, Hindhead, GU26 6PA  
(Agenda item 7.4)

In accordance with the Council's public speaking scheme, the following made representations which were duly considered:

- Mr Barry Wyeth – In objection
- Mr Matt Smith – on behalf of the applicant in support
- Cllr Malcolm Carter – Haslemere Town Council
- Cllr Julian Spence – Ward Councillor
- Cllr Jerome Davidson – Ward Councillor

Following the debate, an alternative recommendation was proposed by Cllr Carole Cockburn and seconded by Cllr John Robini to **REFUSE** planning permission.

The Committee voted on the motion and there were 8 votes in favor, 1 vote against and 1 abstention. (Cllr John Ward, Cllr Richard Steijger and Cllr Graham White were excused from the vote due to late arrival. Cllr Julian Spence excused himself from the vote as Ward Councillor).

The Committee therefore resolved to **REFUSE** planning permission by reason of location, site coverage and design the proposal will have an unacceptable impact on the character and appearance of the immediate area and result in unacceptable overlooking of the rear of neighbouring properties, contrary to Policy TD1 of the Local Plan (Part 1) 2018, Policies DM1, DM4 and DM5 of the Waverley Local Plan (Part 2) 2023, Policy H6 of the Haslemere Neighbourhood Plan (2021), the Haslemere Design Statement (2012), the Residential Extensions SPD (2010) and the NPPF 2023.

8 APPLICATIONS NOT SUBJECT TO PUBLIC SPEAKING (Agenda item 8)

8.1 WA/2024/00291 - Land at Farnham Museum, 38 West Street, Farnham, GU9 7DX  
(Agenda item 8.1)

Following the debate, the Chairman invited the Committee to vote on the recommendations set out in the report. There were 14 votes in favour and the motion was passed unanimously.

The Committee resolved to **GRANT LISTED BUILDING CONSENT**, subject to conditions and referral to the Secretary of State WBC REG 13.

9 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC (Agenda item 9)

There were no items considered in exempt session.

10 LEGAL ADVICE (Agenda item 10)

There was no legal advice required.

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**The meeting commenced at 6.00 pm and concluded at 8.00 pm**

**Chairman**