

THATCHAM TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting of the
Planning and Highways Committee
held on Tuesday 19th November 2024 at 19:00hrs
in the Council Chamber, Brownsfield Road, Thatcham

Present: Councillor Simon Pike (Chairman)
 Councillors Mark Lillycrop, Tom McCann, Justin Pemberton and Val Watts

In attendance: James Pye (Place Manager)

PH/2024/095 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Dave Lunn and Jay Lunn.

PH/2024/096 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
 There were no declarations of interest.

PH/2024/097 MINUTES
RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 22nd October 2024, having been previously circulated, be taken as read, confirmed and signed as an accurate record.

PH/2024/098 PLANNING APPLICATIONS
 Committee considered the following planning applications:

24/02319/HOUSE	6 Elmhurst Road, Thatcham	New raised roof with two storey front and rear extensions. RESOLVED: No objections- based on off-road parking criteria set by WBC being met
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PH/2024/099 DECISION NOTICES
 Committee noted Thatcham related planning decisions published since the last meeting of this Committee.

PH/2024/100 WEST BERKSHIRE LOCAL PLAN REVIEW 2022-2039
 Councillor Pike provided an update on the Local Plan Review 2022-2039, not much further to add, possible further updates in December.

PH/2024/101 PLANNING MATTERS
 Committee noted the following information:

- i. The Place Manager informed that in regard to application **24/01288/REG3 Walnut Close, Bath Road** the application had now been changed from class C2 (nursing home) to sui generis use comprising accommodation for those in housing need plus retention of family contact centre-part retrospective.
- ii. The Place Manager informed that regarding application **24/01824/LBC The Plough Inn, 81 Chapel Street, Thatcham RG18 4JS** amendments had now been made to the plans, Block 2 proposed elevations, proposed site plan. This information was included within the meeting pack. The Place Manager presented the amendments for the site plan to the Committee.

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PH/2024/101 PLANNING MATTERS continued

- iii. Councillor Pike updated the Committee in regard to a wall demolished for access to the former NatWest bank in the High Street, for construction workers and apparatus. The hole in wall backed onto the A4 and was within a conservation area. Place Manager to enquire with West Berkshire Council for more information.

PH/2024/102 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT / HIGHWAYS / ROAD SAFETY MATTERS

Councillor Pike enquired whether, given recent cold weather, the Town Council's grit bins had been filled. Place Manager to check Thatcham Town Council's grit bins, although confident these had recently been checked and refilled accordingly.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 19:17hrs.

Signed: _____

Date: _____