

THAME TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning & Environment Committee held on 14 August 2018 at 6.30pm In the Upper Chamber, Thame Town Hall.

Present: Cllrs D Bretherton (Deputy Chairman), P Cowell, M Deacock, D Dodds, H Fickling (Chairman), A Midwinter (Town Mayor), C Jones and T Wyse
Officers
G Hunt, Town Clerk
A Oughton, Committee Services Officer

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Austin (Holiday), Emery (Holiday) and Stiles (Personal).

2 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Public Participation and Public Questions

Mr Hughes, a resident who lives on the High Street spoke to the Committee in relation to item 6, to consider a request to extend the existing residents car park permit provision. Mr Hughes said Thame was a great place and he enjoyed living here. He almost exclusively shopped in the town and travelled by car to the station to get to work.

Referring to the Officer's report Mr Hughes highlighted some the statistics related to current resident permits and their usage. He had also investigated the suggested alternative parking opportunities and found there is a waiting time of approximately 15 months to obtain a permit to park at the Cattle Market site and only one driveway in Thame is currently being advertised on the 'Just Parking' website at £6.50 per day.

Mr Hughes set out two proposals for the Town Council to consider, a) to allow permit holders to park all day in the High Street car park on Market Days on a trial basis for six months and b) to allow, with immediate effect, permit holders to park all day in the High Street car on any day (other than a market day).

After answering a number of questions the Chairman thanked Mr Hughes. The Committee then discussed item 6.

4 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 24 July 2018 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5 Planning Applications

**9997
P18/S1980/HH**

**14 CHURCHILL CRESCENT
Amendment No. 1**

Demolition of existing conservatory and the construction of a rear extension (as amended by plans including dimensions of extension).

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

Neighbourhood Plan Policies: ESDQ16
SODC Local Plan Policies: D4, H13
Core Strategy Policies: CSQ3

- 1012**
P18/S2353/HH **32 QUEENS CLOSE**
Two storey side extension with converted loft with dormer.
RECOMMEND APPROVAL
Subject to the removal of the window on the gable end to prevent overlooking and allow a similar extension to the neighbouring property if required in the future
- Neighbourhood Plan Policies: ESDQ16, ESDQ28, ESDQ29
SODC Local Plan Policies: D1, D2, D4, H13, T2
Core Strategy Policies: CSQ3
- 1013**
P18/S2462/HH **SOUTH VIEW, JUDDS LANE, MORETON**
Proposed single storey rear extension.
RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- Neighbourhood Plan Policies: ESDQ16, ESDQ20, ESDQ22, ESDQ28
SODC Local Plan Policies: D1, D4, H13
Core Strategy Policies: CSQ3
- 1014**
P18/S2450/FUL **TWO BREWERS HOUSE, 50 NORTH STREET**
Proposed change of use of one of first floor flat (use class C3 residential) to office use (use class A2 financial and professional services).
RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- Neighbourhood Plan Policies: WS7, WS9, WS10, ESDQ16, ESDQ19, ESDQ20, ESDQ29
SODC Local Plan Policies: G5, CON7, EP2, D1, D2, D4, D10, T1, T2
Core Strategy Policies: CSQ3, CSEM1, CSEM2, CSEM4, CSEN3
- 1015**
P18/S2483/HH **31 LANGDALE ROAD**
First floor front extension.
RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- Neighbourhood Plan Policies: ESDQ16, ESDQ28
SODC Local Plan Policies: D1, D4, H13
Core Strategy Policies: CSQ3
- 1016**
P18/S2537/HH **2 FORD'S CROFT**
Garage conversion to habitable space.
RECOMMEND REFUSAL
1. Insufficient information provided on whether adequate off street parking is provided for the size of the dwelling
- Neighbourhood Plan Policies: ESDQ16, ESDQ29
SODC Local Plan Policies: D1, D2, D4, H13, T2
Core Strategy Policies: CSQ3
- 1017**
P18/S2435/HH **4 CHILTERN GROVE**
Single storey side extension and loft conversion to existing dwelling. Hip-to-gable roof extension to the side elevation, and a new dormer roof and roof lights to the rear elevation of the existing roof.
RECOMMEND APPROVAL
Subject to the proposed window on the gable end being obscurely glazed and non-opening.

6 High Street Parking Permit Request

Discussion took place on the two proposals Mr Hughes had set out in his presentation. It was felt that to allow permit holders to park in the High Street car park all day would be to the detriment of the businesses and shops in the Town Centre.

The one hour parking in the High Street car park ensured a guaranteed quick turnover of parked vehicles freeing up spaces which was appreciated by visitors coming into town by car. Thame was one of very few towns that offered free car parking which made Thame an attractive place to shop.

RESOLVED that:

- i) ***The terms and conditions on which Car Parking Permits are issued remain unchanged.***

7 Reports from Town Council Representatives

- a) Transport Representative – Cllr Stiles had given her apologies, there was nothing to report. It was noted the new bus stops in Kingsey Road had been installed.

8 For Information

The items for information were noted.

The meeting concluded at 7.14pm

Signed
Chairman, 4 September 2018