

178 Neighbourhood Plan

The Town Clerk advised the Committee that the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan (NP) Monitoring Group was being held over whilst the Town Council reviewed the draft Local Plan. The evidence base used for the NP would be reviewed to submit to EHDC as appropriate to assist in the Local Plan consultation process.

179 Applications

179.1 **Planning Applications:** On the proposal of Councillor Derek Gardner, seconded by Councillor Allan Chick it was

RESOLVED

That the views of the committee in respect of each application are as set out in the appendix to the minutes.

179.2 **Tree Applications:** On the proposal of Councillor Peter Hicks, seconded by Councillor Allan Chick it was

RESOLVED

That the views of the committee in respect of each application are as set out in the appendix to the minutes.

179.3 **Licencing Applications:** There were no licencing applications for consideration.

179.4 Other correspondence/reports/information:

179.4.1 EHDC have confirmed that planning permission had been granted for change of ground floor of building from retail A1 to residential dwelling C3 at 26 Raven Square (planning application 24741/011 refers).

179.4.2 EHDC Licencing have notified that a Notice Of Hearing will be taking place on Friday, 1st February at 10.00 a.m. at Penns Place re Cellar Vie, 1 Westbrooke Walk, Alton and inviting Alton Town Council to make representation. The Committee whilst supporting the Hearing being called, would not be making a representation.

180 To consider any matters or reports pertaining to Highways/ Parking/Public Transport & Housing

180.1 **Public Transport:**

Councillor Chick gave a verbal update received from Councillor Titterington and advised the committee that further investigation was on-going in respect of the possibility of running a Community Bus for the Manor Estate/Wooteys residents but on initial findings the cost of provision may not be supported by the number of users.

180.2 **Station Forecourt Project:**

The Town Clerk advised that EHDC have currently put the project on hold following issues with Network Rail in securing technical approval; the knock on effect of this meaning the grant offered by Network Rail was not able to be utilised within the defined time frame. Alternative options are being considered by the Alton district councillors and an update would be forthcoming shortly. The Town Clerk would follow up the instructions from the

Committee that Alton Town Council should be very much involved in options to be considered by EHDC.

181 Current Public Consultation/Exhibitions

1. The Post Office – Plans to open a new Post Office at Premier Stores, 27-28th Raven Square, Alton. Consultation is open from 3rd January until 13:00 hours on 31st January 2019. Comments can be submitted to comments@postoffice.co.uk or by telephoning 03452 66 01 15 or by sending to: Post Office, FREEPOST Your Comments. Alton Town Council welcomed the development and would be submitting their full support for the new Post Office at the Wooteys Estate location.
2. The preferred option for the new local plan is now in the public domain and will go to Cabinet & Full Council at District (EHDC) on the 17th January 2019 prior to the start of the Public Consultation on the 5th February – details can be found at: <http://easthants.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cid=371&Mid=2440>

The Town Clerk had issued the following to all Town Councillors following her attendance at the Local Plan Workshop on Tuesday, 15th January:

“I enclose the presentation from the meeting as well as a Local Plan Made Easy. You will see from the documentation that Alton has been allocated a workshop session / drop in for residents on the 15th March at the Maltings. I raised this as an issue as it is literally only a couple of days before the consultation closes and is on a Friday. Hopefully this can be adjusted and we have requested an additional Saturday morning date, so we will see if this can be accommodated. We have also asked for an additional set of display boards for the consultation which we can put in the Council chamber to enable people to drop in to view at their convenience. If EHDC cannot fund this we may have to meet the cost but it is important to have the details of the consultation available to everyone.)

The lead on this will be taken by Planning and Transport Committee and to that end the meeting on the 13th February will consider the draft plan with final comments from the Town Council being agreed at the meeting on the 13th March. I will look to run a briefing session with Members before the meeting on the 13th February. All councillors are encouraged to attend the meetings/briefing to contribute to the discussions.

As part of the consultation process, EHDC have asked for any relevant local evidence bases, reports or strategies to be submitted. The NP Evidence base is now over 3 years old but as part of our research we will seek review these where possible and update as appropriate to assist EHDC in their evidence gathering. I will contact individuals/councillors who were involved with this originally to see if they are able to help in this piece of work.

By way of publicity, EHDC have booked a couple of bus stop posters for 6 weeks to advertise the consultation and we have previously agreed with ADRA to creating a number of banners with the dates/times that people can see the exhibition and to encourage them to take part in the consultation. We will also cover our usual outlets including social media. I have also asked EHDC to supply paper copies of the consultation which we can pass to the Library and have available at the Town Hall.”

The meeting finished at 7.55 p.m.

**COMMENTS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED BY THE
PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY 16 JANUARY 2019**

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Notification of Full Planning application

1. 36194/026 Proposal: Ground and first floor extensions to provide additional education space following demolition of existing lean to canopy and outbuilding roof. Site Address: Mayfield House Nursery, 103 Anstey Road, Alton, GU34 2RN
- OBJECT for the following material reasons:
There are inconsistencies in the plans submitted:**
1. The North East Elevation shows a ridge height that sits under the existing buildings eaves gutter, yet the Street Scene shows the ridge that is 800-900mm higher, and clearly above the gutter line.
 2. The plans indicate that a class room will be provided at first floor, yet the end elevations suggest that there will be very little headroom for such a space as drawn. Clearly a higher ridge would need to be built, which would dominate and overdevelop the site. The drawings submitted appear not to reflect this accurately.

Notification of Variation of Condition application

1. 55428/012 Proposal: Variation of condition 13 of 55428/004 - to allow substitution Of: Detail Site Layout MG-03 Rev A with Detail site layout MG-03 Rev F
Site Address: Land at Cadnam Farm, Upper Anstey Lane, Shalden, Alton
- NO OBJECTION with the following comment:
Alton Town Council regrets the developer's oversight and the need for a retrospective application having to be submitted.**

Notification of Advertisement Consent application

1. 25610/009 Site Address: Cross and Pillory House, Cross & Pillory Lane, Alton, GU34 1HL
Proposal: Display of 2 x black swan neck sign lights
NO OBJECTION

Notification of Householder application

1. 25704/003 Site Address: 73 Queens Road, Alton, GU34 1HY
Proposals: Conservatory following demolition of greenhouse
NO OBJECTION
2. 38003/003 Site Address: 15 Whitedown, Alton, GU34 1LX
Proposal: Single storey rear extension
NO OBJECTION

3. 57029/001 Site Address: 30 Beavers Close, Alton, GU34 2EF
Proposal: Conservatory to rear, balcony fitted to rear of house to be removed, existing door and window removed and replaced with new window
NO OBJECTION

TREE APPLICATIONS

1. 49425/004 Site Address: 11 Goodyers, Alton, GU34 2SH
Re: Application for consent for Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order
Proposal: Beech (T1) - Crown lift to give 3.5m clearance above ground level to allow vehicular access to drive and adjoining properties. Lime (T2) - Crown lift to give 3.5m clearance above ground level to reduce excessive shading and allow garden landscaping. Foliage from lower most branches is below 2m.
NO OBJECTION as per the recommendation of the Tree Warden
2. 57825/001 Site Address: 15 London Road, Holybourne, Alton, GU34 4EG
Re: Application for consent for Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order
Proposal: Sycamore (T1) - thin by 20% and prune back to suitable growth points off house to leave 2m clearance. Ash (T2) - fell, poor specimen with potential dangerous lean. Ash (T3) - reduce lateral branch over driveway by 3m to leave 6m crown spread radius. Sycamore (T4) - thin by 20% for light and protection against high winds. Ash (T5) - thin by 20% and prune back to suitable growth points off house to leave 2m clearance for light and protection against high winds. Sycamore (T6) - lift to 5m and thin by 20% for light and protection against high winds. Sycamore (T7) - thin by 20% for light and protection against high winds. Ash (T8) - thin by 20% for light and protection against high winds. Ash (T9) - thin by 20% for light and protection against high winds.
NO OBJECTION as per the recommendation of the Tree Warden