



coming up at the end of June, it was disappointing that no progress has been made on this matter. Councillor Jones said she would take this up with Knights Brown.

- 2.2 Was seeking clarification on a rumour doing the rounds that the upcoming site visit for the Treloars development was for councillors only and members of the public were not invited which the Alton Society found very disappointing. The Town Clerk confirmed that this was indeed the case having spoken with the Case Officer but this was an additional site visit for new Councillors as a full site visit had previously already been carried out. Graham Hill provided further clarification in that the site visit was intended to allow newly elected councillors an opportunity to fully understand the complexities of the site prior to the Reserved Matters application being considered by District Planning Committee in June at the Alton Assembly Rooms.

## **22 Local Plan/Alton Neighbourhood Plan**

EHDC have issued an invitation to all newly elected Town and Parish Councillors to a Introduction to Planning & Consultation training evening about Planning (and Local Plan) at EHDC, Penns Place on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> June at 6 p.m.

## **23 Applications**

- 23.1 **Planning Applications:** On the proposal of Councillor Graham Titterington, seconded by Councillor Graham Hill it was

**RESOLVED**

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

- 23.2 **Tree Applications:**

There were no tree applications for consideration.

- 23.3 **Licencing Applications:**

There were no licencing applications for consideration.

- 23.4 Other correspondence/reports/information:

- 23.4.1 EHDC have advised of a site inspection to be undertaken on 7<sup>th</sup> June at approximately 9.30 a.m. in respect of :  
Reserved Matters application pursuant to outline application 30021/056 on Land at Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital Site, Chawton Park Road, Alton. The site visit is to allow newly elected councillors to familiarise themselves with the site and is not open to members of the public to attend.

EHDC have called an Extraordinary Planning meeting for 26<sup>th</sup> June at which the Treloar Heights Reserved Planning application will be considered. Planning application 30021/056 refers

- 23.4.2 EHDC have advised that they have granted planning permission in respect of planning application 28088/016: Retention of conversion of office to one self-contained flat. Site Address: 25 Market Street, Alton, GU34 1HA despite the fact that Alton Town Council raised an objection to the application at their meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

## **24 To consider any matters or reports pertaining to Highways/ Parking/Public Transport & Housing**

### **24.1 Highways**

- 24.1.1 HCC have notified The Secretary of State has granted permission to extend an Order to temporarily close Alton Footpath 19, to allow for works to be carried out while preventing the likelihood of danger to the public (crossing Will Hall Farm housing development). This is in place from 17<sup>th</sup> May to 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019.
- 24.1.2 Anstey Road/Anstey Lane Junction Improvement: Alton Town Council is still awaiting further information from County as to progress on this scheme. This matter is to be raised with County Councillor Andrew Joy.

### **24.2 Public Transport:**

The Committee requested of the Chairman that usage figures for the Community Bus route being operated by Community First in collaboration with AEWRA be made available at the earliest opportunity.

### **24.3 Station Forecourt Project:**

The Town Clerk advised that again there is no further progress on this project since it was last reported to the Committee in January but was of the opinion of Alton Town Council that EHDC were cognisant of the requirement that this project should proceed. Councillor Graham Hill provided further clarity in that he had discussed the project with District Council Officer Sarah Hobbs who had confirmed that there was now a reduced amount £244,000 of S106 monies available and the much envisaged innovative project had gone nowhere due to issues with Network Rail.

This now being the case the Committee agreed to instruct the Town Clerk to submit recommendations on how the remaining monies could be spent looking primarily at (i) removing the steps onto Papermill Lane, (ii) improving the raised table to becoming a clearly identified authorised crossing point for pedestrians, at the station entrance junction with Papermill Lane (iii) automated speed notification signage on the 20 mph approaches in the vicinity (iv) improved signage to the town centre.

## **25 Current Public Consultation/Exhibitions**

There are no current public consultations or exhibitions.

The meeting finished at 8.11 p.m.

**COMMENTS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED BY THE  
PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE  
TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MAY 2019**

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**Notification of Full Planning application**

1. 20839/017 Site Address: Warren Signs, Little Eastfield Holdings, Wolf's Lane, Chawton, Alton, GU34 3HJ  
Proposal: B2 development providing a replacement building comprising a workshop, office area, mess room, storage and welfare facilities following demolition of existing outbuildings  
**NO OBJECTION**
  
2. 21560/021 Site Address: Alton School, Anstey Lane, Alton, GU34 2NG  
Proposal: Indoor tennis hall, replacement Convent Sister's building, Installation of all weather astro-turf sports field. Part change of use of existing Manor House from C2 (residential institutions) to D1 (non residential institutions). 35 dwellings including affordable housing, associated external works including access, parking, hard and soft landscaping.  
**HOLDING OBJECTION SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING MATTERS BEING CLARIFIED:**
  1. **Percentage of affordable housing being at 20% and not 40% has not been clarified – Demonstration of trade off against community benefit required as is demonstration of community need for additional sporting facilities being made available for public use**
  2. **Viability Assessment undertaken by the applicants agents must be shared and placed in the public domain, as should the independent viability assessment which must now be undertaken**
  3. **Additional information on the energy efficient build of the houses is required. Whilst it is acknowledged that some attempt has been made to demonstrate this, more comprehensive technical information is required to support the energy efficient statement made**
  4. **Compliance of the Alton Neighbourhood Plan parking requirement has not been satisfied for visitors parking although it is acknowledged that resident parking does meet the standard. (*Comment: has undercroft parking been considered beneath the houses at ground level*)**
  5. **Housing mix in favour of 3 and 4 bedroom houses as opposed to 2 bedroom houses is considered to be overdevelopment of the site and not meeting local housing needs**
  6. **The additional traffic movements associated with the “windfall” element of the (that part of the application which was not in the Alton Neighbourhood Plan) development has not been assessed and were not included in the work**

**undertaken on impact of traffic movements if all SHLAA sites came to fruition– reference the HCC Traffic Impact Assessment undertaken by WS Atkins in 2016/17**

- 7. Clarification required for the source of the Education contribution – S106 or CIL? Planning Agent is awaiting confirmation from HCC on the formula used to ensure clarity.**
- 8. Update required as to the number of trees to be lost and the ecological impact of development on invertebrates and fauna in particular bats and slow worms. Further reports will be expected as only “Phase 1” surveys undertaken currently by the developers - meeting with EHDC scheduled for 3<sup>rd</sup> June on the subject of Ecology and Trees**
- 9. Confirmation that the concerns of Sport England have been satisfied in respect of flood lighting for the sports facilities**
- 10. Clarification required on access via gate into Anstey Park – reference Planning Station 2.3 (page 4) comment**
- 11. Clarification requested on the calculation used to identify the number of hours that the new sports facilities would be available for public use and timings – indicative hours quoted were term time 29 additional hours per week, school holidays (16 weeks) 74 additional hours per week**
- 12. Confirmation on the assertion made by the agent that the LPA would be able to condition the community use of the facilities through a requirement to set up a management committee with Town Council and local sports club representation to ensure this element of the scheme is deliverable and affordable.**
- 13 Confirmation provided that discussions held with HCC Rights of Ways to establish whether a temporary diversion of footpath is required to allow construction vehicles to cross from the main school site to the sports field – Footpath 30 refers**

3. 52895/003 Site Address: Hamlet House, 80-94 High Street, Alton, GU34 1EN  
Proposal: Conversion of vacant toilet block to bin and cycle store  
**NO OBJECTION**

### **Notification of Advertisement Consent application**

1. 29146-016 Site Address: The Wheatsheaf Inn, 7 Market Square, Alton, GU34 1HD  
Proposal: Installation of replacement illuminated and non-illuminated signs to the exterior of the building  
**NO OBJECTION SUBJECT TO:**
- 1. The agreement of the Conservation Officer that the proposed signage conforms with requirements for signage in a conservation area**

2. **Confirmation from the applicant that the current licence held in respect of tables and chairs in the Market Square is complied with**

### **Notification of Pre-Decision Amendment**

1. 50981/003 Site Address: Dunstons, 63 Anstey Lane, Alton, GU34 2NF  
Consultation of Householder application. Proposal: Increase in roof height to provide first floor accommodation, infill extension to front and two storey extension to rear  
[AMENDED PLANS RECEIVED]  
Note: Alton Town Council considered the original application at the meeting of the Planning & Transport Committee held on 13<sup>th</sup> March. At that time, a No Objection was submitted to EHDC (the Planning Authority).  
**NO OBJECTION**

### **Notification of Householder application**

1. 30727/007 Site Address: 12 Windmill Hill, Alton, GU34 2RY  
Proposal: Single storey rear extension and replacement of pitched roof with flat roof over part existing building  
**NO OBJECTION**
2. 55928 Site Address: 7 Vyne Close, Alton, GU34 2EH  
Proposal: Two storey extension to rear, conversion of roof space to habitable accommodation  
**NO OBJECTION**
3. 57692 Site Address: 57 Windmill Lane, Alton, GU34 2SN  
Proposal: Single storey extension to side  
**NO OBJECTION**
4. 58269 Site Address: 12 Upper Grove Road, Alton, GU34 1NW  
Proposal: Two story extension to comprise of larger kitchen and 2 upper bedrooms, bathroom and ensuite following demolition of existing conservatory and bathroom  
**NO OBJECTION**
5. 58278 Site Address: 43 Plovers Way, Alton, GU34 2JJ  
Proposal: Conversion of roof space with a front and rear second floor gable window.  
**NO OBJECTION**

