

WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Record of Decisions of the meeting of the
Uplands Area Planning Sub-Committee
Held in the Council Chamber at 2.00 pm on **Monday, 28 June 2021**

PRESENT

Councillors: Councillor Jeff Haine (Chairman), Councillor Julian Cooper (Vice-Chair), Councillor Alaa Al-Yousuf, Councillor Andrew Beaney, Councillor Nathalie Chapple, Councillor Ted Fenton, Councillor David Jackson, Councillor Alex Postan, Councillor Geoff Saul, Councillor Dean Temple and Councillor Alex Wilson.

Officers: Abby Fettes (Principle Planner) and Kim Smith (Principle Planner (Enforcement)), Michelle Ouzman (Strategic Support Officer), Amy Bridgewater-Carnall (Senior Strategic Support Officer)

6 Minutes of Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 1 June 2021, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

7 Apologies for Absence and Temporary Appointments

Councillor Alaa Al-Yousuf substituted for Councillor Merilyn Davies.

8 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest received.

9 Applications for Development

The Sub-Committee received the report of the Business Manager – Development Management, giving details of an application for development, copies of which had been circulated.

21/00494/FUL – Wigwell House, Banbury Hill, Charlbury

The Principle Planner (Enforcement), Ms Kim Smith introduced the retrospective application for the erection of a new dwelling (amendments to previously approved application 18/01583/FUL).

Ms Smith outlined the previous approvals on site, advised that the Parish Council had objected and she read out further comments received that day. Ms Smith advised that there was an eight degree difference in the orientation of the dwelling from the approved plans, along with a slight increase in width and length.

The following people addressed the Committee:

Mr Tony Merry on behalf of Charlbury Town Council - supporting, a summary of his submission is attached as an appendix to the original copy of these minutes.

Following questions from Councillors Temple and Postan regarding the access gate, the officer clarified that the conditions placed on the application would ensure the access gate installed at the southern end of the boundary fence would be provided in a useable condition and retained hereafter.

The Principle Planner (Enforcement) then presented her report containing a recommendation of approval subject to the conditions outlined.

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Councillor Beaney proposed that the application be granted and noted that there were no solar panels detailed on the plans. The Committee hoped they would see these added in due course, as per the original plans.

This was seconded by Councillor Cooper.

The Officer recommendation of approval was then put to the vote and was carried.

Approved

21/01445/FUL – The Pentacle, Enstone Airfield North, Banbury Road, Enstone

The Principle Planner (Enforcement), Ms Kim Smith introduced the retrospective application for the conversion of existing buildings for the use of repair and upgrading of motor vehicles, vehicle storage and coach building.

She advised that there had been no objection received from the Parish Council and confirmed that a response had now been received from the County Highways department who had raised no objection.

The Principle Planner (Enforcement) then presented her report containing a recommendation of approval subject to the conditions listed in the report. She signposted Members to condition 2 which removed permitted development rights for other uses.

Councillor Beaney raised a query relating to the proximity of the car storage to a recent aircraft crash site, which could be an issue with regards to fuel storage. He also queried how close the shooting school was and was advised that the Environmental Health Officer had raised no objection.

Councillor Beaney therefore proposed that the application be granted and this was seconded by Councillor Postan.

The Officer recommendation of approval was then put to the vote and was carried.

Approved

10 Applications Determined under Delegated Powers

Councillor Beaney raised a query relating to 'Diddly Squat' farm which had been the subject of a recent television documentary. He queried if the restriction on selling goods outside a sixteen metre radius had been investigated, following some of the statements made on the programme. Ms Smith confirmed that a number of planning breaches were being investigated on site.

Councillor Postan raised the issue of aerial photographs of the site recently visited by Members. He asked if any recent aerial surveys had been undertaken, for archaeological purpose or at low light. Mrs Fettes advised she would look into this.

The report giving details of applications determined under delegated powers was received and noted.

The Meeting closed at 2.38 pm

CHAIRMAN