

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE PLANNING & LICENSING COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE PARISH CENTRE LOCKLEYS DRIVE WELWYN
ON TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2009 AND COMMENCED AT 8.10PM.**

PRESENT: Council S Butler (Vice-Chairman) and Cllrs M Benson and P Neville

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr J Blackburn, Co-opted Members J Green and R Oxley (both Welwyn Planning & Amenity Group) and J Lewis (Office Administrator)

APOLOGIES: Cllrs C Hukin (Chairman), R McKay, H Ober (all holidays) and I Skidmore (other commitments)

In the absence of the Chairman, the meeting was chaired by Cllr Butler, the Vice-Chairman.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION. There were no members of the public present.

2009/093 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. None.

2009/094 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20TH OCTOBER 2009. RESOLVED. “That the Minutes of the meeting held on 20th October 2009 be approved and signed”.
Unanimously agreed.

2009/095 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 20TH OCTOBER 2009. Minute no. 2009/089 PLANNING APPLICATIONS. Application no. N6/2009/1564/MA Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital School Lane Welwyn.

Immediately prior to the commencement of the meeting, Councillors had received a presentation from Mr Adam Greenhalgh of Pellings LLP, agents to the applicant (East and North Herts PCT). The Acting Clerk was asked to write to Mr John Nettleton and Mr Graham Bell at East & North Herts PCT requesting a further meeting with them. Cllr Butler was asked to send a draft letter to the Acting Clerk. Cllr Neville was of the opinion that a press release regarding this application should be prepared.

2009/096 EAST OF ENGLAND PLAN REVISION COMMENTS. Mr J Green presented a draft response that he and Cllr Skidmore had produced. Mr Green reminded the Committee that there was a deadline for responses to the revised plan of 24th November 2009. Cllr Skidmore and Mr Green were asked to strengthen their draft by making mention of the East Coast Main Line railway and that this was already working at capacity. Once this was done, the Acting Clerk was asked to send the final document to the East of England Regional Assembly

2009/097 PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

N6/2009/1255/FP 6 Dicket Mead Welwyn. Erection of front porch.

No observation.

N6/2009/2056/FP 3 Elmoor Avenue Welwyn. Erection of single storey extension to front porch, dummy pitched roof to match existing roof, new kitchen window to match existing & new skylight to flat roof.

No observation.

N6/2009/2058/FP 8 Great North Road Welwyn. Conversion of roof space to provide staff/office accommodation with dormer to rear & rooflights. Change of use from C3 to C2 to provide new bedroom. Erection of rear separate utility room. Extension to outbuilding.

No observation.

N6/2009/1854/FP Land at Spinney Lane Welwyn. Retention of two existing metal clad & timber buildings as built for the storage of motor vehicles.

Conditional Objection. Because the site is in the Green Belt, the Council requests that the Borough verify that the existing buildings have replaced previous structures and that they are of appropriate use to their situation. Failing that verification, the Council objects to this application on the basis that it is within the Green Belt.

N6/2009/2044/FP 8 Woodside Road Digswell Welwyn. Erection of detached garage & formation of vehicle cross-over.

No observation.

N6/2009/2130/FP Littlebury Digswell Lane Welwyn. Erection of side extension & installation of dormer windows & balcony.

No observation.

N6/2009/2222/FP 76 Warren Way Digswell Welwyn. Erection of two storey side & rear extension with front porch.

Objection. The Council noted that the plans on the Borough's website differed from those on the Dataconsult website. The Borough were asked to confirm which were the correct plans for the application and then provide a new call-in date to allow for further consideration of this application.

N6/2009/2262/FP 36 The Avenue Welwyn. Erection of single storey rear & side extension & internal alterations.

No observation.

2009/098 PLANNING DECISIONS. These were noted.

2009/099 LICENSING. There were no licensing applications to consider.

2009/100 CLOSE OF MEETING. The Chairman thanked all present and closed the meeting at 9.48pm.

Signed:.....

Chairman, Planning & Licensing Committee.

Dated: 1st December 2009.