

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE PLANNING & LICENSING COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2011
AT THE PARISH CENTRE LOCKLEYS DRIVE WELWYN
THAT COMMENCED AT 8.00PM.**

PRESENT: Councillor C Hukin (Chairman) and Cllrs. M Benson, M Castle, R McKay, P Neville, I Skidmore and A Woolgar

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr J Blackburn, J Roper and R Oxley (both Welwyn Planning & Amenity Group) and J Lewis (Office Administrator). 2 members of the public were present.

APOLOGIES: Dr H Ober (Welwyn Tree Warden) (holiday).

2011/153 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. Cllr Woolgar declared an interest in planning application nos. N6/2011/2395/FP and N6/2011/2396/CA both for 24 Prospect Place Welwyn that he knew the applicants personally.

2011/154 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25TH OCTOBER 2011. Resolved "That the Minutes of the meeting held on 25th October 2011 be approved and signed" **Carried unanimously.**

2011/155 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 25TH OCTOBER 2011.

Minute no. 2011/150 Section 106 The Frythe Welwyn. It was reported that the Clerk had sent a written reply to the Borough on 11th November 2011.

At this juncture the 2 members of the public addressed the Committee on a planning application.

2011/156 PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

N6/2011/2316/TP St Marys Church Church Street Welwyn. Reduce oak tree by 30%. No Observation.

N6/2011/2263/TP 10 Welwyn Hall Gardens Welwyn. Reduce lime tree by 5 metres. It was reported that this application had been withdrawn.

N6/2011/2203/TP 14 Bracken Lane Welwyn. Reduce four hornbeam tree crowns by 30%. Reduce weight of sycamore tree by 30% and reduce branch on Douglas Fir tree by up to 2 metres. **OBSERVATION.** That the work is carried out under the supervision of the Borough's Arboriculturalist and done by a trained and competent contractor. This Council also asks that the trees must be safeguarded.

N6/2011/2313/TP 16a Oaklands Rise Welwyn. Reduce seven hornbeam trees by up to 25% and seven hornbeams to side of alley way by up to 25% thin four oak trees by 20% and deadwood.

OBSERVATION. That the work is carried out under the supervision of the Borough's Arboriculturalist and done by a trained and competent contractor.

N6/2011/2229/FP 11 Hillside Way Welwyn. Erection of two storey side extension. **OBSERVATION.** Whilst this Council is not against the proposed development, it is concerned about the bulk of the proposed dwelling and of a possible terracing effect.

N6/2011/2129/FP 31 Church Street Welwyn. Installation of three air conditioning units.

OBSERVATION. This Council requests that should the application be granted that a noise level limit be imposed as a condition of any permission because of the close proximity of adjacent residential dwellings.

N6/2011/1882/FP Land adjacent to 55 Mardley Hill Welwyn. Erection of detached dwelling and single garage. **OBSERVATION.** This Council requests that the proposed removal of the tree is only done under agreement of the Borough's Arboriculturalist and that provision is made for the planting of a similar tree to replace the felled tree. Additionally that the work is carried out by a trained and competent contractor.

N6/2011/1254/FP Welwyn Playing Fields Ottway Walk Welwyn. Installation of play equipment. No Observation.

2011/157 IN CASES OF URGENCY ONLY TO DISCUSS ANY APPLICATIONS WITH

A DUE DATE BEFORE THE NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING.

N6/2011/2442/TP 31 Oaklands Rise Welwyn. Removal of hornbeam tree. **OBSERVATION.** This Council requests that the proposed removal of the tree is only done under agreement of the Borough's Arboriculturalist and that provision is made for the planting of a similar tree to replace the felled tree. Additionally that the work is carried out by a trained and competent contractor.

N6/2011/2421/FP 12 Roman Way Welwyn. Erection of two storey side and rear extension, garage conversion to habitable space and alterations to front and rear windows. No Observation.

N6/2011/2380/FP 1 Chestnut Walk Welwyn. Erection of two storey side extension. No Observation.

N6/2011/2395/FP 24 Prospect Place Welwyn. Demolition of existing dwelling and link garage and erection of two detached garage.

N6/2011/2396/CA 24 Prospect Place Welwyn. Demolition of existing dwelling and link garage.

OBSERVATION (applies to both applications). This Council is concerned about the proposed 2nd. Floor dormer windows which would be overlooking neighbouring dwellings.

N6/2011/2426/FP 5 Moors Cottages Mimram Walk Welwyn. Retention of extended and altered outbuilding for ancillary purposes in association with residential use. **OBSERVATION.** This Council supports this application and the application of the condition requested by the Borough.

N6/2011/2359/FP 10a Oaklea Wood Welwyn. Single storey rear extension. No Observation.

N6/2011/2362/TP Land at Digswell Water Lodge and Tsalta Digswell Lane Welwyn. Repollard 9 lime trees back to trunks, light pruning to 2 holly trees, removal of lower branches to 1 oak tree and reduce height and shape by 20% and remove lower branches, shape and reduce height of 3 horse chestnuts by 20%. **OBSERVATION** That the work is carried out under the supervision of the Borough's Arboriculturalist and done by a trained and competent contractor.

2011/158 TO DISCUSS ANY APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS, NON-MATERIAL CHANGES OR WORK TO TREES IN CONSERVATION AREA.

N6/2011/2198/LUP 7 Mary proud Court Oak Piece Welwyn. Conversion of existing Garage to habitable space. No Observation.

N6/2011/2325/NM 44 Harmer Green Lane Digswell Welwyn. Non material amendment following approval of planning permission N6/2011/0847/FP- Change in roof design for front elevation now a dummy pitch with roof taken across garage forming a crown roof over. No Observation.

2011/159 DECISIONS. These were noted.

2011/160 APPLICATION FOR MODIFICATION ORDER TO AMEND THE DEFINITIVE MAP OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY-DANESBURY PARK ROAD AND NORTH RIDE WELWYN. Correspondence received from Hertfordshire County Council. The correspondence was noted.

2011/161 LICENSING. There were no applications for premises within Welwyn Parish.

2011/162 CLOSE OF MEETING. The Chairman thanked all present and closed the meeting
At 10.15pm.

Signed:.....

Chairman, Planning & Licensing Committee.

Dated 6th December 2011.