

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE PLANNING & LICENSING COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2011
AT THE PARISH CENTRE LOCKLEYS DRIVE WELWYN
THAT COMMENCED AT 7.30PM.**

PRESENT: Councillor C Hukin (Chairman) and Cllrs. M Castle, R McKay and I Skidmore

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr J Blackburn, R Oxley (Welwyn Planning & Amenity Group), J Lewis (Office Administrator) and J Roper (Observer for Welwyn Planning & Amenity Group).

APOLOGIES: Cllrs. M Benson, P Neville and A Woolgar (all other commitments) and Dr H Ober (Welwyn Tree Warden) (other commitments).

2011/142 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. There were none.

2011/143 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4TH OCTOBER 2011. Resolved "That the Minutes of the meeting held on 4th October 2011 be approved and signed" **Carried Unanimously.**

2011/144 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 4TH OCTOBER 2011. Minute No. 2011/136 It was reported that The Clerk has sent the Council's response to Defra and that receipt had been acknowledged.

Minute No. 2011/139 It was reported that a copy of the Council's letter to the Borough dated 5th September 2011 had been given to all members of the Committee. The Clerk reported that a very basic resurfacing of the Whitehill Car Park had been estimated by the Council's surveyor as costing £20,000 to £30,000.

2011/145 PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

N6/2011/1988/FP 8 Turpins Chase Welwyn. Erection of single storey rear extension, replacement dormer windows and porch extensions on front façade. No Observation.

N6/2011/1798/FP 22 Welwyn Hall Gardens Welwyn. Erection of single storey rear extension. No Observation.

N6/2011/2189/FP 9 Tudor Road Welwyn. Erection of single storey front extension. No Observation.

N6/2011/1766/TP 12 Mardley Hill Welwyn. Reduce beech and oak tree 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.

N6/2011/2176/TP 16 Mardley Hill Welwyn. Reduce height and spread of beech tree by 40%.

OBJECTION. This Council considers the proposed 40% reduction is excessive.

N6/2011/2063/FP 2 Fulling Mill Lane Welwyn. Erection of single storey side extension, first floor extension over existing garage and new portico. No Observation.

N6/2011/2040/FP 3 Codicote Road Welwyn. Proposed conversion of existing roof space over existing garage into study to include insertion of two Velux rooflights facing courtyard and one side door facing new dwelling. **OBSERVATION.** This Council believes that the proposed new rooflights should be in keeping with the listed building. The Council also

requests that should permission be granted to these applications that a condition be made by the Borough so that the conversion should not be used as a separate habitable dwelling

N6/2011/2043/LB 3 Pennyfathers Lane Welwyn. Insertion of insulation over and in between timber frame and to masonry wall. No Observation.

N6/2011/2062/FP 9 High Street Welwyn. Change of use of ground floor and first floor shop premises from A1 to A2 use. **OBJECTION.** The Council believes this shop premises should remain as A1 use.

N6/2011/2134/TP 2 Firway Welwyn. Crown lift sweet chestnut to height of 5 metres and crown thin 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.

N6/2011/1747/FP 11a Chestnut Walk Welwyn. Proposed alterations to ground floor and erection of first floor extension including 4 no. rear facing dormers. **OBJECTION.** The Council considers this proposal to be overdevelopment and of excessive bulk for the site.

N6/2011/1705/FP 14 The Avenue Welwyn. New dwelling to be used a shared home. No Observation.

2011/146 IN CASES OF URGENCY ONLY TO DISCUSS ANY APPLICATIONS WITH A DUE DATE BEFORE THE NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING.

N6/2011/2263/TP 10 Welwyn Hall Gardens Welwyn Reduce lime tree by 5 metres. **OBSERVATION.** That the work is carried out under the supervision of the Borough's Arboriculturalist and done by a trained and competent contractor.

N6/2011/2211/FP 7 New Place Welwyn. Erection of single storey rear extension. No Observation.

N6/2011/2019/FP 21 Rollswood Road Welwyn. Demolition of existing single storey conservatory and erection of replacement single storey extension. **OBJECTION .** The Council considers this proposal to be an overdevelopment of a site within the Green Belt.

N6/2011/2038/LB 3 Codicote Road Welwyn. Proposed conversion of existing roof space over existing garage into study to include insertion of two Velux rooflights facing courtyard and one side door facing new dwelling. **OBSERVATION.** This Council believes that the proposed new rooflights should be in keeping with the listed building. The Council also requests that should permission be granted to these applications that a condition be made by the Borough so that the conversion should not be used as a separate habitable dwelling.

N6/2011/1403/FP Lockley Farm Lockleys Welwyn. Installation of solar panels on pig pen and barn. No Observation.

2011/147 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. Conservation of existing garage to habitable space.

N6/2011/2167/LUP 16 Danesbury Park Road Welwyn. Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed erection of rear extension.

N6/2011/2182/LUP 16 Danesbury Park Road Welwyn. Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed erection of rear extension.

N6/2011/2132/TC The Parish Council Lockleys Drive Welwyn. Lift canopy of beech and cherry tree to 4 metres and reduce the overhang. Fell two self set sycamore trees to ground level, reduce height of beech to 3ft., remove suckers from beech hedge and reduce rowan tree.

The above 4 applications were not considered by the Committee as all 4 has been "GRANTED" by Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council prior to the meeting.

N6/2011/2200/NM Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital 73 School Lane Welwyn. Non material amendment following approval of planning permissions N6/2010/1187/MA and

N6/2008/2394/FP- Adjustment of the existing ramp to comply with current building regulations. No Observation.

2011/148 DECISIONS. These were noted.

2011/149 GOVERNMENT INIATIVE FOR THE PLANNING PROCESS. It was reported
The Clerk had written to Cllr J Watson of HAPTC and that receipt of the letter had
been acknowledged.

2011/150 SECTION 106 THE FRYTHE WELWYN. The Chairman was asked to prepare a
draft letter and send it to The Clerk to reply to the Borough.

2011/151 LICENSING. There were no licensing applications relating to premises in Welwyn
Parish.

2011/152 CLOSE OF MEETING. The Chairman thanked all present and closed the meeting
at 8.50pm.

Signed:.....

Chairman, Planning & Licensing Committee

Dated 15th. November 2011.