

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
THE PLANNING & LICENSING COMMITTEE  
HELD ON TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2011  
AT THE PARISH CENTRE LOCKLEYS DRIVE WELWYN  
THAT COMMENCED AT 7.30PM**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** J Roper (Welwyn Planning & Amenity Group) Dr H Ober (Welwyn Tree Warden)  
and J Lewis (Office Administrator). 2 members of the public were present.

**APOLOGIES:** R Oxley (illness).

**2011/163 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr Castle declared an interest in planning application no. N6/2011/2468/FP 5 Oaklands Rise Welwyn. It was agreed that Cllr Castle would take no part in the discussion of this application.

**2011/164 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2011. Resolved** “That the Minutes of meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2011 be approved and signed” **Carried unanimously.**

**2011/165 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2011.** There were none.

*At this juncture Mr Nelson, a representative of the applicant, addressed the meeting on planning application N6/2011/2468/FP 5 Oaklands Rise Welwyn and answered questions.*

*At this juncture Mr John Dixon addressed the meeting on agenda item no. 9 (Request from Resident John Dixon for Welwyn Parish Council's support regarding his complaint of unauthorised development in Elmoor Avenue) and answered questions.*

**2011/166 PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

**N6/2011/2478/FP** 24 Wilshere Road Welwyn. Erection of single storey front and side extension, part two storey side and rear extension and single storey rear extension and new dormer with room in loft space. **No Observation.**

**N6/2011/2442/TP** 31 Oaklands Rise Welwyn. Removal of oak tree **OBJECTION.** The Council objects to the removal of an oak tree which has a Tree Protection Order placed on it.

**N6/2011/2473/S73B** 18 Birch Grove Welwyn. Variation of condition 1 (Time limit) of planning permission N6/2008/1252/FP erection of extension to existing porch.

**OBSERVATION.** That the Borough places a time limit on any time extension granted.

**N6/2011/2413/FP** 24 Stuart Road Welwyn. Erection of front porch. **No Observation.**

**N6/2011/2383/FP** 49 Harmer Green Lane Digswell Welwyn. Erection of two storey side extension and formation of triple garage linked to dwelling. **OBJECTION.** The Council objects to this proposal based on the lack of any information by the applicant regarding protected trees on the site.

**N6/2011/2495/FP** 5 Carleton Rise Welwyn Erection of single storey front extension and two storey side extension, erection of double garage and formation of hardstanding following demolition of porch and double garage. **No Observation.**

**N6/2011/2468/FP** 5 Oaklands Rise Welwyn. Demolition of existing dwelling and garage and erection of three dwellings and ancillary works. **OBJECTION.** The Council considers the proposal to be over-development of the site leaving inadequate amenity space. The Council

also requests that there is provision made by the Borough for the protection and retention of the existing tree-scape.

**N6/2011/2482/FP** 23 Wendover Drive Welwyn. Brickwork infill to existing porch. **No Observation.**

**N6/2011/2516/FP** The Thatched House 3 Pennyfathers Lane Welwyn. Erection of two storey rear extension. **No Observation.**

**N6/2011/2527/TP** 5 The Drive Welwyn. Reduce two beech trees covered by TPO24 by 33% **OBSERVATION.** That the work is carried out under the supervision of the Borough's Arboriculturalist and done by a trained and competent contractor.

**2011/167 IN CASES OF URGENCY ONLY TO DISCUSS ANY APPLICATIONS WITH A DUE DATE BEFORE THE NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING.**

**N6/2011/2500/FP** 7 The Drive Welwyn. Rear extension and replacement of existing conservatory with internal remodeling. **No Observation.**

**N6/2011/2560/FP** 26 Mardley Hill Welwyn. Installation of new double gates and railings. **OBJECTION.** The Council objects to the outward opening of the proposed gates onto the public space

**N6/2011/2463/FP** 32 Glebe Road Welwyn. Proposed single storey side and rear extension and detached double garage. **No Observation.**

**2011/168 TO DISCUSS AND APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS, NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENTS OR WORK TO TREES IN A CONSERVATION AREA.**

**N6/2011/2364/LUP** 25 Mardley Wood Welwyn. Certificate of Lawfulness for single storey rear extension. **No Observation.**

**N6/2011/2568/TC** 28 Mill Lane Welwyn. Reduce cotoneaster, ivy/pyracantha, rose and wisteria trees by up to 15%, remove overhanging magnolia limb, reduce pear tree by 1.5 metres, ground out dead shrub and fell roawn tree to ground level. **OBSERVATION.** That the work is carried out under the supervision of the Borough's Arboriculturalist and done by a trained and competent contractor.

**N6/2011/2569/TC** 4 School Lane Welwyn. Reduce silver birch tree by up to 30% **OBSERVATION.** That the work is carried out under the supervision of the Borough's Arboriculturalist and done by a trained and competent contractor.

**2011/169 DECISIONS.** These were noted.

**2011/170 REQUEST FROM A RESIDENT JOHN DIXON FOR WELWYN PARISH COUNCIL'S SUPPORT REGARDING HIS COMPLAINT OF UNAUTHORISED DEVELOPMENT IN ELMOOR AVENUE.** The Committee noted this matter following on from Mr Dixon's address to the meeting. It was also noted that Mr Dixon had reported that the Borough were progressing his complaint and that at present no further action by the Council was requested. However, the Council's future support might be required if the complaint was not upheld by the Borough.

**2011/171 LICENSING.** There were no licensing applications relating to premises in Welwyn Parish.

**2011/172 WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCILS STATUTORY**

**CONTAMINATED LAND STRATEGY- THIRD EDITION.** This document was noted by the Committee. The Clerk was asked to write to the Borough thanking them the opportunity to comment. The Clerk was also asked to advise the Borough that the Council wished to make no comment at this stage.

**2011/173 CLOSE OF MEETING.** The Chairman thanked all present and closed the meeting at  
9.30pm

Signed:.....  
Chairman Planning & Licensing Committee  
Dated 29<sup>th</sup> December 2011