

CHOLESBURY-CUM-ST LEONARDS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held in Cholesbury Village Hall
on Tuesday 13th October 2015 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs Allen, Blomfield, Brown and Minting

Also the Clerk, two members of the public and 4 representatives of Laxton Properties

1817) Apologies for absence

Cllrs Joseph, Matthews and Sanger were not present.

1818) To receive declarations of interest

Cllr Allen worked with Ed Whetham's (of Laxton properties) father 20 years ago.

1819) Questions from members of the public

Ed Whetham of Laxton Properties, the company developing the site at J&L Travel Ltd, gave a short overview of their plans to develop the brownfield site, including their noting of an archaeological site partly within the land and the use of traditional design and materials within an AONB. Change of use of the site has resulted in a decrease of large vehicles on the local roads and a contribution has been made towards social housing in the district.

Two residents whose property neighbours the land in question, asked for assurance that there would be no change to the accessibility of a rear access road to their property both during and after development and this was confirmed. A question was also asked about ridge heights of the houses and it was confirmed that they would be in keeping with neighbouring properties and the ridge heights of the garages at the properties were to be of the standard height usually used by the company. Cllr Allen asked about contamination on site. Some land removal to specialist landfill will be required and some Japanese Knotweed has been professionally treated. Cllr Brown asked for assurance that there would be no "scope creep" on the development to attempt to increase the size of the properties and it was replied that this would not occur.

1820) To consider new planning applications

a. CH/2015/1741/FA - J and L Travel Ltd and Land Rear Of Jadewood, Mount Pleasant, Taylors Lane, St Leonards, Buckinghamshire, HP23 6LQ, Redevelopment of site including erection of three detached dwellings, garages, and a new vehicular access with associated hardstanding and landscaping. The council resolved to comment as follows: The Parish Council has consistently argued that this site should revert to one for housing and it fully supported Application CH/2014/1248 which received outline consent for three houses, as described in the Decision Notice dated 1 April 2015. This detailed application is for three houses on a larger site. During site an archeological investigations the foundations of the original houses were revealed. It is understood that, after consultation by the applicant, adjoining property owners are supportive of the application. The general reaction of members of the public who attended the open day on site on 15 October 2015 was positive.

b. CH/2015/1807/FA - The Old Manor House, Cholesbury Lane, Cholesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP23 6ND, Erection of garden room. The council resolved to make no comment on this application.

1821) To receive decision notices from Chiltern District Council

None.

1822) To receive notice of appeals

None.

1823) To receive an update on The White Lion appeal process

Cllr Allen has asked the district council for clarification on the status of the appeals as the information on the website is incomplete.

The meeting closed at 7.35pm.

Chairman.....Date.....