

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
THE PLANNING COMMITTEE of SWALLOWFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 23rd JUNE 2009
IN THE DAVIES ROOM, SWALLOWFIELD PARISH HALL AT 8.00 P.M.**

Present:

Mr. M. Bowker (Chairman)	
Mrs. A. Ashford	Mr. M. Goldsmith
Mr. G. Collender	Mr. E. Handley
Mrs. A. King	Mrs. B. Stanley

Members of the public: 0

1. Apologies for absence – Mrs. McDonald and Mr. Entwistle
2. Minutes of last Meeting – the minutes of the meeting held on 26th May 2009 were agreed a correct record
3. Current Applications:
688/F/2009/1103 – Proposed change of use of storage building to cattery, Handpost House, Barge Lane, Swallowfield
Agreed no objection on the basis that it would have a nominal effect on the area and will potentially be of benefit to residents of the Parish. All in favour.

689/F/2009/1188 – Proposed erection of a single storey rear flat roof extension with balcony terrace, Castle Cottage, Bunces Shaw, Farley Hill
Agreed no objection. All in favour.

690/CON/2009/1160 – 452 Basingstoke Road, Reading – consultation from RBC for hazardous substances consent to allow for increased storage of liquified petroleum gas from 152 tonnes to 319 tonnes (Gillette Factory) (*response required by 19 June to WBC/25 June to RBC – cllrs previously emailed*)
Agreed no comment. All in favour.

4. Results
676/F/2009/0692 – Proposed installation of clear glass on side facing gable window, 5 The Mews, Farley Castle, Castle Hill, Farley Hill (PC no objection)
PP approved May 09

677/F/2009/0706 – Proposed erection of single storey extension to estate offices, Lambs Farm Business Park, Basingstoke Road, Swallowfield Additional plans – bat survey – received 21st May.

(PC noted that this application was an enlarged version of application F/2008/2091 in that the length of the proposed office had increased from 5.7m to 8.7m. Agreed no objection as it was considered the increase in length would have no detrimental visual effect on the surrounding area)
PP approved June 09

5. Appeals results –
 - 649/F/2008/1868 – Proposed sub-division of existing one bedroom flat to create two studio flats, 11 Swallowfield Park, Swallowfield (PC no objection)
PP refused Oct 08 due to SPA and unsatisfactory provision of adequate services etc.
Appeal dismissed June 09 (due to TBHSPA)

 - 650/LB/2008/1870 – Listed building application for the proposed sub division of existing one bedroom flat, to create two studio flats, 11 Swallowfield Park, Swallowfield (PC no objection, subject to conservation architect’s comments)
PP refused Oct 08 due to above application being refused
Appeal allowed June 09 (as app is not harmful to listed building)

6. Enforcement – update noted and also that WBC had confirmed that enquiries relating to enforcement do not ‘stop the clock running’ in relation to immunities from enforcement (4/10 years) and that only the issuing of a Breach or Stop notice can do this.
 - Outstanding issues remain on the following sites:
 - Wheelers Farm Cottage (application due to be put to WBC planning committee on 22 July)
 - Deepwater (agreed request WBC for final plan of planning consents on the site to enable future monitoring)
 - Fairlands, Farley Hill (enforcement action due on barn; p/a due on caravans)
 - 2 Kent Cottages, Riseley (WBC investigating)
 - Loddon Court Farm – Caravans (WBC investigating)

7. Enforcement Briefing Note – the briefing note circulated in relation to the forthcoming WDALC meeting on 2nd July was noted.

8. Temporary permissions expired – Springalls (p/a to be submitted)

9. Development South of M4 and Arborfield – a report on the workshop held on Saturday 20th June event relating to setting key principles for the two major development locations was provided and agreed that an article would be included in the next newsletter

10. Reports/consultations/correspondence:
 - SE RSS: Planning for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Show people in the South East. – consultation response required by 1st September
 - West Berks SA and SEA consultations on Core Strategy – response required by 3rd July
 - WBC briefing note on recent changes to the Planning Appeal procedures
 - Hart Local Development Framework Core Strategy SSA scoping report consultation – response required by 13th July
 - Sustainable Communities Act – to note the new Act, resolving to use the new ‘bottom up’ process and that Wokingham has so far not signed up to it (West Berks, Windsor and Maidenhead and Slough have) – note attached

The meeting was temporarily adjourned for the next item (but will be recorded in the minutes)

11. Comments/Questions from Members of the Public

12. Date of next Planning Committee meeting – Tuesday 28th July 2009 in the Davies Room, Swallowfield Parish Hall

NB: The next meeting may be cancelled, subject to the number of applications and other items for discussion. If this is the case, outstanding planning matters will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting instead.