

# Hampstead Norreys Parish Council

## Planning Committee Minutes

Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held in the Memorial Room, Hampstead Norreys Village Hall on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023. Commencing at 7:36 pm.

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Members Present: Councillor David Barlow, Chair  
Councillor Mike Corish  
Councillor Ros Maskell (acting as substitute for Councillor Toby Harris)  
Councillor Harriet McCalmont

Members Absent: Councillor Fiona Bennett  
Councillor Toby Harris

Officers Present: Sarah Marshman, Clerk

In Attendance: 0 Members of the Public

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- PLN23/001 To receive apologies for absence from Members of the Planning Committee**  
Apologies were received from Councillors Fiona Bennett and Toby Harris.
- PLN23/002 To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Registerable Interests or Non-Registerable Interests and to consider any Requests for Dispensation**  
Councillor McCalmont declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Minute PLN23/006, planning application 23/01247/HOUSE.  
Councillor Barlow declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Minute PLN23/006, planning application 23/01349/HOUSE.
- PLN23/003 To receive questions or comments from members of the public or representations from any member who has declared an Other Registerable or Non-Registrable Interest**  
No questions, comments or representations were made.
- PLN23/004 To approve the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023**  
Resolved: Members agreed the Minutes of the last meeting be accepted as a true record. The Minutes were signed by the Chairman.
- PLN23/005 Matters arising from the previous meeting.**  
There were no matters arising.
- PLN23/006 To consider the following new planning applications:**
- 23/01247/HOUSE Springbank, Hampstead Norreys, RG18 0TF - Extension to garden building to create covered seating area**  
Resolved: To submit a response of no objections and to request conditions that it cannot be inhabited or enclosed due to creeping development.

**23/01233/FUL The White Hart, Church Street, Hampstead Norreys, RG18 0TB - Resurface existing gravel car park in permeable tarmac and white line parking layout with paint.**

Resolved: To object to the application as the council does not believe the finish is appropriate for a conservation area and to submit the following comments:

The council feels there could be other options that might be more aesthetically pleasing in a conservation area. The council is also worried about the lack of detail on the soakaway because the area is prone to rising groundwater flooding.

The council also noted there are potential inaccuracies in the application form:

1. The application form states there aren't any trees or hedges on the land adjacent, however, the car park area is surrounded by trees.
2. The application form, for the assessment of flood risk, asks whether the proposal is within 20m of a watercourse. The council believes it is within 20m of The Pang. The form also asks 'will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere'. The council believes it could potentially increase this due to faster surface runoff. The car park sits within the area most at risk from groundwater flooding.
3. The application form asks whether any employees are on site. The council believes there is currently an employee on site.
4. The flood risk assessment states "The Management of the hotel Pub is able to sign up to the Environment Agency's Storm Warning Service in order to evaluate risk." It should be noted that during the storm on 11th June 2023, flooding was experienced in this area and no notice for this was given by the storm warning service.

**23/01349/HOUSE Mountain Ash, Forge Hill, Hampstead Norreys, RG18 0TE - Installation of garden studio**

Resolved: To submit a response of no objections.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8:28 pm.

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_