Woodstock Town Council



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Interim Town Clerk: Karen Howe

Minutes of an EXTRAORDINARY meeting of Woodstock Town Council held in The Town Hall, Woodstock on Tuesday 24th October 2023 at 7pm

Clirs. present: Linda Addis, Ann Grant, Jo Lamb, Mathew Parkinson and Elizabeth Poskitt

In Attendance: Karen Howe (Clerk)

Chair for the Meeting: Cllr M Parkinson Deputy Mayor Members of the public attended: 3

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23/10/19 ETC	1 - Apologies for Absence Apologies received from Cllrs Manby-Brown (Mayor), Bailey, Bleakley, Manson, U Parkinson, Parnes and Spencer-Churchill
23/10/20	2 - Declarations of Interests
ETC	Declarations of interest received from: - Cllrs M Parkinson and Poskitt for Item 4 Planning Applications – Both councillors are members of WODC and have been involved with developing the Local Plan
23/10/21 ETC	3 - Public Speaking and Question Time
	3 members of the public addressed the Council
	Speaker 1 – Said that they wished to bring to the Council attention that The Local Government Act 1972 states that when a Council Member fails to attend any meeting for six consecutive months from the date of their last attendance, they ceases to be a member of the authority, unless the Council accepts a reason for the failure to attend before the six months period expires and that according to the minutes Cllr Spencer-Churchill's last attendance was 9th May 2023.
	Cllr Grant explained that the attendance record also included any attendance that was official business of the council and not just the monthly meeting attendance.
	The next 2 speakers wished to express their objections to the planning application at 19 Park Lane which the Council would be discussing later in the meeting.
	They were concerned about the blocking of their natural light to their properties due to such a large double storey extension and the raising of the eastern boundary wall
	WTC Councillors suggested that the members of the District Council Cllr Poskitt and Cllr M Parkinson could call this application into committee rather than it be under delegated power of a planning officer.
23/10/22 ETC	4 – Planning Applications
	Cllr M Parkinson suggested that items 3 and 4 of this agenda item be moved up the agenda.
	It was agreed to move the items up the agenda.
	a) To consider the following applications: -
	3) 23/02619/HHD 19 Park Lane Woodstock
	Erection of two storey and single storey rear extension, raise height of Eastern boundary wall
	4) 23/02620/LBC 19 Park Lane Woodstock
	Internal and external works to include erection of two storey and single storey rear extension with amended fenestration and changes to internal layout. Raise height of Eastern boundary wall and construction of replacement garage together with associated landscaping works.
	Both applications were discussed together
	Cllrs asked Cllr Poskitt to request WODC that the application be referred to Uplands Planning sub-committee for determination.
	It was agreed that the Council will object to the application and its response would cover the following comments: -
	 i) The proposed extension is over development of the site ii) It is not in keeping with the ascetics and sensitivity of surrounding properties

- iii) No justification for raising the height of the eastern boundary wall
- 1) 23/02530/HHD 29 Bear Close Woodstock Due

Proposed garden office/studio outbuilding.

It was **agreed** that the Council has no objection to the application.

2) 23/02189/FUL & 23/02190/LBC - St Mary Magdalene Church Park Street

Replacement of the existing lead roofs on the nave and isles with an insulated roof comprising of terne coated stainless steel

It was **agreed** that the Council has no objection to the application.

a) To consider the West Oxfordshire Local Plan Consultation

The consultation was discussed and it was suggested that the Council's response should include comments covering the following: -

- Affordable housing numbers
- Homes to include Solar Panels
- Sensitivity to the number of homes and type
- Adequate and timely provision of infrastructure
- Sewage overload
- Climate Change
- Bio-diversity
- · Adequate health centres for number of residents
- Children's health both mentally and exercise with better diets
- Consideration to home numbers with places like Witney, Chipping Norton Carterton taking a larger share
- Protect places like Eynsham Long Hanborough and Woodstock from over development that have already taken a lot of development
- Consider smaller village prospects of small developments
- Consideration to the density of development
- Developing new settlements
- Concentrate on Brown Field sites
- Consider a good mix of facilities for both residents and tourism

Decision

It was **agreed** to delegate the creation and submission of the response to the Clerk and Cllr Poskitt.

b) To consider the Cherwell Local Plan Consultation

The consultation was discussed and it was suggested that the Council's response should include comments covering the following: -

- Comments on the Kidlington Sites
- Issues identified in the Council's response to Land East of Park View

Decision

It was **agreed** to delegate the creation and submission of the response to the Clerk and Cllr Poskitt.

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Close Meeting

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The meeting closed at 8.10pm