

Minutes of the Meeting held remotely on 11 January 2021 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs: S Berlyn, A Chapman, M Hessing (Chairman), A Keeler.

In Attendance: Mrs L Mitchelmore (Assistant Clerk), one member of the public.

20/21.90 Apologies for absence

Mr J Alexander

20/21.91 Declarations of Interest

Members are required to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they know they may have in items of business on the meeting's agenda. They are reminded that they will need to repeat their declaration at the appropriate point in the meeting and leave the room if the interest is a prejudicial one. Unforeseen interests must be declared similarly at the appropriate time. Members have dispensation to discuss and vote in respect of matters relating to the Precept and the DCA.

None

20/21.92 Public Question Time

Members of the public are invited to address the Council, give their views and question the Council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration (at the discretion of the Chairman). Members of the public may not take part in the Council meeting itself. At the close of this item members of the public will no longer be permitted to address the Council unless invited to do so by the Chairman. The session will last for a maximum of 15 minutes with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 5 minutes. Members of the public should address their representation through the Chairman of the meeting.

None

20/21.93 Minutes

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 21 December 2020 were approved and would be signed as being a true record.

20/21.94 Planning Applications

20/21.94.1

Members considered three applications and made responses. Cllr Berlyn declared a non-pecuniary interest in application 20/02045/FUL.

RESOLVED: that the responses to applications in Appendix A be submitted to Chelmsford City Council.

20/21.94.2

Members determined whether to refer any application to which it had objected to the local Ward Member for determination by the CCC Planning Committee (unless officers were minded to refuse it).

RESOLVED: that application Woodend Cat Hotel 19/01767/S73 would be referred to the Ward Member for determination by the CCC Planning Committee (unless officers were minded to refuse it).

20/21.95 Planning Decisions

The planning decisions in Appendix B were noted.

20/21.96 Danbury Neighbourhood Plan

The Assistant Clerk reported that the Sites Working Group had met with the Strategic Environment Assessment Consultant and were preparing to consider options for site allocations. The Plan Writing Group were reviewing the Design Code following feedback from the Chelmsford City Council Senior Planner.

20/21.97 Co-option of Mark Scofield

Members considered recommending to the Parish Council that Mr Mark Scofield be co-opted to the Planning Committee as the representative of the Danbury Society, following the resignation from the Planning Committee of Mr Roger Cole-Jones.

Cllr Berlyn, formally thanked Roger Cole Jones and congratulated him on his appointment as chairman of the Danbury Society

RESOLVED: that the Planning Committee recommend to the Parish Council that Mr Mark Scofield be co-opted to the Planning Committee as the representative of the Danbury Society.

Proposed: Cllr Berlyn, seconded: Cllr Hessing, and all agreed.

20/21.98 Matters for Report (for information only)

The Assistant Clerk reported that there had been no breach of planning control at a property at Eves Corner.

20/21.99 Dates of next meeting

Monday 1 February 2021 to be held remotely by Zoom at 7.30pm.

There being no further business to transact, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.26pm.

Chairman

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Signed

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Date

Ref no	Property	Proposal	Comments
20/05650/CAT	Kiln Cottage 119 Main Road	<p>8 x Leylandii trees - Fell, remove stumps - Reason: Trees are too invasive for driveway and blocking light to house, roots affecting sewage pipe. Replace with privet hedge along boundary; Holly bush hedge - on northern boundary - Reduce height to 2m along boundary; Various shrubs - on southern boundary - Reduce height to 2m along boundary; Leylandii - Fell - Reason: Tree is growing too close to house and blocking light; Leylandii hedge - Reduce to 2.5m; Leylandii - Fell, remove stump - Reason: Tree has grown too big horizontally for area due to poor/ non- existent management of tree, roots affecting integrity and view of pond beneath it and with low amenity value; Rhododendron hedge - Reduce height to 2m - very overgrown running the length of the western boundary; Holly bush - Remove bush and roots.</p>	<p>This bungalow is behind The Spinney and is not visible from the main road. It is completely engulfed in trees which have not been managed and they can hardly get any natural light. The Parish Council is pleased to see plans to replace the Leylandii with native hedging which will support more wildlife.</p> <p>However, the Parish Council acknowledges the concerns of the resident submitted on 5th January 2021 and trusts that the Planning Officer will take these concerns into account when deciding the application.</p>

19/01767/S73	Woodend Cat Hotel, 77 Hopping Jacks Lane	Variation of condition 2 of approved application 19/01767/FUL (Demolition of existing cattery and construction of a new residential property with private entrance off Runsell Lane and new timber canopy). Alteration to roof covering - changing from timber clad roof to standing seam zinc. Reduction in size of chimney flue.	The Parish Council Strongly objects to this application. The proposed roofing materials would be stark, in contrast to, and out of keeping with, the natural surroundings of the immediate wooded area and with the surrounding properties. As such the proposals are contrary to DPF policies 7, 21 and 22, and CCC policy DM23 (ii).
20/02045/FUL	Copthill, Copt Hill	Proposed outbuilding for use as games room and gym. Construction of swimming pool.	The proposed outbuilding will run along the boundary of the property with the lane and forward of the building line (properties along Copt Hill are set back from the road). The Parish Council is concerned that this will be out of keeping with the area and harmful to the street scene, contrary to DPF policy 7 and CCC policy DM23 (ii).

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20/01612/FUL Permitted	Hydewood, Maldon Road	Proposed increase in height of roof to match existing, with external alterations.	No Comments
20/05294/TPO Permitted	Beech Cottage, Cherry Garden Lane	T5 - Beech - crown reduce by up to 3-4m - Reason: To improve inner vitality, creating a smaller crown to improve overall health of tree. Remove branches away from buildings; T2 Sycamore - crown reduce by up to 3-4m - Reason: To improve inner vitality and reduce roadside liability; T3 Sycamore - crown reduce by up to 3m - Reason: To improve inner vitality and overall health of tree.	No comments
20/01853/FUL Permitted	9, Armstrong Close	Construction of front porch	No comments
20/01740/FUL Permitted	Greenacre, Hyde Lane	Part single, part two storey rear extension	No comments
20/05295/TPO Permitted	Mayesfield, Mayes Lane	T1 - Horse Chestnut - Fell. Reason: The proximity of the tree to the adjacent bungalow is of great concern to neighbours, especially for the tree falling in severe weather conditions. Please refer to Arboriculturist Report for further information.	The Parish Council objected to this application.
20/05293/TPO Permitted	Cransley Cottage, Riffhams Lane	T1 - Yew - Reduce southernmost side back to previous cuts by a maximum of 2m - Reason: To give clearance to the building and prevent damage to roof. General, cyclical maintenance. Prevention of causing damage to property	No Comments
20/01680/ADV Permitted	1A Eves Corner	Vinyl covered aluminium flat sign	The Parish Council supported the comments of the Chelmsford City Council Listed Buildings and Conservation Officer.
20/05305/TPO Permitted	8A South View Road	T1 - Ash - Crown reduction of a multi stemmed ash tree by 2.5m. Remove deadwood and 4 lowest	No comments

		laterals. Reason to maintain at a reasonable size for garden and allow more light.	
20/05312/TPO Permitted	Tile Barn, Plumpton Lane	G2 - Limes - Both trees to receive a 5 metre crown lift. Reasons: Both trees are overhanging significantly and contain a few dead branches. They restrict our use of that side of the garden due to the over hang and nothing will grow in the shade. They are also rubbing against the oak trees. They are also in danger of resting on the shed roof.	No comments