

**Minutes of the Council (Planning) Meeting held on  
Wednesday 6 December 2023**

**Present** Councillor H Belcher OBE (Chair)  
Councillors S Abbott, A Brown, N Brakspear, J Brook, T Ellis,  
R Hopkinson, A Jones, A Thomas and R Williams.

**In Attendance** Mrs K Gilby (Finance and Planning Officer)

**In Attendance Online** Councillor A Mackie.

**PL 71/23 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillors N Farmer, J Roberton and G Ward.

**PL 72/23 Public Question Time and Petitions**

There were none.

**PL 73/23 Declarations of Interest**

Councillor S Abbott declared a non-pecuniary interest in application [PL/2023/09741](#) - 20 Barn Close - Single-storey side extension as an acquaintance of the applicant. He left the room during the discussion and decision on the item.

Councillor S Abbott declared a pecuniary interest in application [PL/2023/09441](#) - 3 Field House - Erection of fence to rear of property as a relative of the applicant. He left the room during the discussion and decision on the item.

**PL 74/23 Applications**

**CORSHAM GASTARD WARD**

[PL/2023/08870](#) [PL/2023/09251](#) Byde Mill Farm, Thingley – Planning and Listed Building Consent – Install photovoltaic solar panels to south-facing part of existing kitchen roof.

*Resolved: that, subject to the approval of Wiltshire Council's Conservation Officer, no objection be raised.*

[PL/2023/10057](#) 15 Westrop – Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area – Fell the following: T1 – Apple tree, T2 – 2 x Willow trees, T3 – Horse Chestnut tree, T4 – 2 x Poplar trees, T6 - Poplar tree, TG1\*– Mixed Species and SG2\*– Mixed Species. \*Please note that the plants within groups TG1 and SG2 are considered to be below the 75mm stem diameter threshold.

*Resolved: that, subject to the approval of Wiltshire Council's Arboricultural Officer, no objection be raised. The Town Council would appreciate if consideration could be given to replacing the trees.*

## **CORSHAM LADBROOK WARD**

[PL/2023/10070](#) 3 Manor Road – Annexe providing two bedsit rooms.

*Resolved: to object to the proposal in the strongest possible terms on the grounds that:*

*It would represent overdevelopment of the site;  
Lack of amenity space;  
The bedsits do not meet the Nationally Described Space Standards;  
Concerns over access and parking;  
No detail of waste and recycling storage;  
No detail of cycle storage;  
Would be out of character with the vicinity;  
Contrary to Corsham Neighbourhood Plan Policies CNP ED1, E2, HE1, HE2 and H1;  
Contrary to Wiltshire Core Strategy Policy 57  
Contrary to the Corsham, Wiltshire and National Design Guides;  
And contrary to paragraphs 130 and 134 of the National Planning Policy Framework.*

[PL/2023/09931](#) Arnold House, 31 High Street – External and internal repairs; improving drainage, levels and paving outside Flats 1 and 2; replastering associated with damp in Flat 2 lobby.

*Resolved: that the Corsham Town Council application be noted.*

[PL/2023/10102](#) 1A Pound Pill – Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area – T1 Beech tree – crown reduction by up to 2m. T2 T3 Beech trees – reduce lateral growth over garden by up to 2.5m.

*Resolved: that no objection be raised.*

## **CORSHAM NESTON WARD**

[PL/2023/09832](#) The Old School House, Church Rise - Notification of proposed works to a tree in a Conservation Area - Beech tree – 25% reduction.

*Resolved: that no objection be raised.*

## **CORSHAM PICKWICK WARD**

[PL/2023/09741](#) 20 Barn Close – Single-storey side extension.

*Resolved: that no objection be raised.*

[PL/2023/09441](#) 3 Field House – Erection of fence to rear of property.

*Resolved: that, subject to the single hedge being retained as proposed and the fence not being higher than the hedge, no objection be raised.*

[PL/2023/10146](#) 6 Penleigh Close – Conversion of, and extensions to, existing garage.

*Resolved: that no objection be raised.*

## **PL 75/23 Amended/Additional Plans**

There were none for this meeting.

## **PL 76/23 Decisions**

(1) Approvals

## **CORSHAM GASTARD WARD**

PL/2023/08676 27 Gastard Lane – Proposed Works to Trees in a Conservation Area - Norway Maple tree – reduce by 25%. Oak tree – lift low branches by 1m. Mulberry tree – reduce by 25%. Magnolia tree – reduce by 25%

PL/2023/03908 Gateway on land south of Chapel Knapp on the B3353 (Retrospective) – Reopening of an agricultural gateway.

## **CORSHAM LADBROOK WARD**

PL/2023/06683 The Grove, Pickwick Road - Proposed Works to Trees in a Conservation Area – (8) – London Plane tree – limb reduction. (9) – Yew tree – fell. (11) – Elm tree – fell. (13) – Lime tree – fell.

PL/2023/09046 Priory Cottage, 1 Bences Lane – Proposed Works to Trees in a Conservation Area – T1 - Norway Maple – reduce leading portion of canopy by 2m to fit remaining canopy. T2 – Poplar – growing very close to boundary wall with potential to cause future damage – fell. T3 – Pear – Poor form and with poor fruit production – fell.

#### **CORSHAM NESTON WARD**

PL/2023/04156 18 Wadswick Lane – Erect replacement garage with PV array.

#### **CORSHAM PICKWICK WARD**

PL/2023/05605 16 Potley Lane – The formation of a new driveway at the front of the property which requires a dropped kerb as new vehicle access to the property onto Potley Lane.

(2) Refusals

There were none for this meeting.

(3) Withdrawn

There were none for this meeting.

The meeting commenced at 7.32pm and closed at 8.09pm. There was one member of the public in attendance online.

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Councillors' comments on planning applications are based on the information available to them at the time of the meeting.