

**CALNE TOWN COUNCIL  
TOWN DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Town Development and Planning Committee  
held on Tuesday 2 December 2014 in the Corn Exchange of the Town Hall.**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Ms H E Canfer – **Town Mayor**  
Councillor H R Marshall – **Deputy Town Mayor**  
Councillor A K Hill – Calne South  
Councillor R C MacNaughton – Calne Chilvester & Abberd  
Councillor T W B Rounds – Calne North (*arrived at 6.35pm*)  
Councillor D F Short – Calne Chilvester & Abberd

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Councillor A J Trotman

**OFFICERS:** Mrs Clare Harris – PA to Town Clerk

**PUBLIC & PRESS:**

There were 10 members of the public and one member of the press in attendance.

**98/14 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Boase, Stebbing, Warnett & Widger.

**99/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Marshall declared an interest as a member of the Northern Area Planning Committee at Wiltshire Council. Councillor Marshall will take part in the debate and will vote, however he reserves the right to change his opinion in light of new evidence and discussion at future meetings at Wiltshire Council.

**100/14 MINUTES**

The minutes of the Town Development & Planning committee meeting held on Tuesday 11 November 2014, having previously been circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**101/14 PLANNING APPLICATIONS – SCHEDULE 11 – 2014/15**

***Due to the public interest in planning application 14/11179/OUT – Land off Prince Charles Drive, Calne, members agreed to move this item forward on the Schedule to be discussed first.***

<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Location of Development/ Ward</u>	<u>Description of Development</u>	
1	14/11179/OUT	Robert Hitchins Ltd	Land at Prince Charles Drive	Residential development of up

			CALNE CENTRAL	to 130 dwellings, infrastructure, ancillary facilities, open space, landscaping and construction of new vehicular access off Prince Charles Drive
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Members listened to the comments, concerns and objections raised by residents during public participation and went on to debate this application in some depth. The primary concern with the proposals relates to the proposed access to this development, along Abberd Way and into Prince Charles Drive. This road already serves a large amount of houses which form, what is, in essence, a very large cul-de-sac, with one road in and one road out. The impact this development will have on the existing road network and town centre congestion is unacceptable. It was noted that traffic calming measures are soon to be implemented on a stretch of Abberd Way because of long-standing safety issues, again a reason for concern.

Members noted that there is a 7.5t weight restriction in place in the town centre, which would mean construction traffic would have to travel southbound along Oxford Road, the turning off which, onto Abberd Way is completely unsuitable for HGV traffic.

Members resolved to **strongly object** to this application, as it is in direct contravention of numerous policies in the Local Plan 2011 as follows;

- **Core Policy - C1 Sustainability - (i), (ii) and (iii), also paragraphs 5.1 and 5.3**
- **Core Policy – C3 Development Control - (iv) and (vii)**
- **Housing Topic Area – H4 Development in the Open Countryside – (i) and (ii/c)**

In addition to the above, an Air Quality Management Area has been established in Calne due to breaches of Government and EU air quality directives relating to pollutants, this development would exacerbate these limits.

<b>1</b>	<b>14/09818/FUL</b> AMENDED PLANS FOR RE- CONSULTATION	Mr David Hayes	32 Trinity Park CALNE SOUTH	First floor side extension
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Members **supported** this application.

<b>2</b>	<b>14/10399/FUL</b> RETROSPECTIVE	Mr M Neate	38 Ridgemean CALNE NORTH	Installation of decking and privacy screens
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Members questioned the need for a planning application for these works, but were happy to **support this application** in any case.

<b>3</b>	<b>14/10435/FUL</b>	Mr & Mrs R Williams	4 The Wynd CALNE CHILVESTER & ABBERD	First floor extension
Members <b>supported</b> this application.				
<b>4</b>	<b>14/10475/FUL</b>	Mr Abramovas	Carnegie Road, Portemarsh Industrial Estate	Erection of office unit, two canopies and the creation of access
Members expressed a concern over the proposed new access onto the site, but did note that there is an existing drop kerb where the new access is proposed, which means it must have been used previously.				
Members resolved to <b>support</b> this application.				
<b>5</b>	<b>14/10595/FUL</b>	Westlea Housing Association	Land and garages at 50-56 Abberd Way CALNE CENTRAL	Demolition of existing buildings & erection of 12 dwellings with associated parking & amenity
Members <b>supported</b> this application.				
<b>6</b>	<b>14/10756/VAR</b>	Hills Homes	Land at Station Road CALNE CENTRAL	Vary condition 5 of planning permission 11/03934/REM – removal of carports
Members <b>did not support</b> this application.				
<b>7</b>	<b>14/10943/FUL</b> (Revision of 14/04590/FUL)	Mr & Mrs P Collins	7 Fairway CALNE SOUTH	Demolition of conservatory and existing extension and erection of single storey extension within existing footprint
Members <b>supported</b> this application.				
<b>8</b>	<b>14/11011/TPO</b>	Mr Holmes	1 Wansdyke Drive CALNE CENTRAL	Reduce Lime tree back to previous pruning points
Members were happy to delegate authority to the Tree Officer at Wiltshire Council.				

## **102/14 PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS – LIST 11 – 2014/15**

Members noted the planning application decisions.

## **103/14 THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE – APPEAL DECISION – 61 THE PIPPIN, CALNE**

Members noted the appeal decision.

## **104/14 CALNE TOWN COUNCIL RESPONSE TO PLANNING APPLICATION 14/09744/WCM – HILLS WASTE SOLUTIONS**

Members noted the Town Council's response.

## **105/14 HILLS WASTE SOLUTIONS RESPONSE TO COMPTON BASSETT PARISH COUNCIL**

Members noted the correspondence.

## **106/14 CALNE COMMUNITY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP**

Councillor Rounds explained to members that he recently conducted two 'drop-in' days, on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> November (the final date arranged to specifically coincide with the Winter Festival), in the empty Aladdins Cave unit in Phelps Parade. A lot of interest was shown by members of the public and it was generally felt that these sessions were a success.

It was noted that the CCNP leaflets have been printed and are being distributed around the town, the Town Clerk is to contact the manager of Sainsburys to gain permission to leave publicity on the check outs and the banners have been ordered and will be displayed in suitable locations across Calne and Calne Without.

The Princes Foundation is going to be contacted to see if they can run some community engagement days/workshops. Once dates for these workshops have been set, postcards with the details will be printed and circulated as widely as possible to get as much take up as possible. It is hoped that the responses from these sessions will give the group the basic principles to move forward.

With regards the proposed timeline for the neighbourhood plan, Councillor Rounds is happy to bring copies of the gant chart to the next meeting for members' information.

**The meeting closed at 7.34pm.**