



FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE OF FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL, HELD ON 6th OCTOBER 2015 AT 6.45 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE MEMORIAL HALL

PRESENT: Councillors: A Bamford (Chair), C Fleury, G Kennett MBE, S Allen, A Harris, M Wheeler and K Lloyd

Members of the public 1

Clerk: M J Mills

1. APOLOGIES: Cllrs D Eccles, G Cameron, B Hobbs, B Hinton MBE, J Medland and C Bray.

2. INVITE CLLRS TO DECLARE ANY INTEREST THEY MAY HAVE IN THE MATTERS ON THE AGENDA:
None

3. INVITE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON A PLANNING APPLICATION ON THE AGENDA, AT CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION:
None

4. TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:
It was **resolved** that the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 15th September having been circulated and agreed, be approved and signed.

5. Updates from last meeting and IWC Planning Decisions.

Approvals

P/00924/15 Farringford House, Bedbruy Lane, Freshwater. Variation of condition nos. 2 and 4 on P/01264/13 – TCPL/23763/W to allow alterations to conservatory

P/00985/15 Alwaze, Victoria Road, Freshwater. Proposed Conservatory

P/01455/14 Willow Lodge, Colwell Road, Freshwater. Demolition of garage; proposed two storey side extension to provide additional living accommodation; detached double garage (further revised scheme)

Refusal

P/00956/15 Tamara, Colwell Road, Freshwater. Two storey side extension and alteration to convert bungalow into house including dormer.

6. Planning applications to be discussed (at time of sending out Notice):

P01036/15 Middleham, Wilmingham Lane, Freshwater: Retention and completion of dormer window and associated conversion of former outbuildings to provide ancillary

residential accommodation; alterations; proposed conversion of piggery to provide open fronted garage.

The Committee had no objection.

P/01083/15 Willow Cottage, Blackbridge Road, Freshwater: Demolition of garage; replacement enlarged roof to provide additional living accommodation within roof space to include dormer windows on front and rear elevations; detached garage with storage within roof space.

The Committee had no objection.

P01081/15 Little Burrows, Copse Lane, Freshwater: Single storey side extension to enlarge dining room and provide w.c, utility and porch.

The Committee had no objection.

P01092/15 Norton Cottage, Halletts Shute, Norton: Demolition of single storey annexe and greenhouse; alterations; two storey side/rear extension to provide additional living accommodation to include balcony on rear elevation.

This was a significant increase in footprint. However the front elevation would be in keeping. The Committee had no objection.

7. To Discuss Planning Appeal. – Appeal Reference APP/P2114/W/15/3133766/NWF. The Co-operative, Afton Road, Freshwater. Variation of Condition no. 22 on **P/01835/12 – TCP/171074/N** to allow opening hours of 0600 hours to 2300 hours Monday to Saturdays, 1000 hours to 1600 hours Sundays and 0700 to 2200 hours Bank Holidays or Public holidays.

Cllr Kennett declared an interest (relatives living near to the site).

The Committee had looked at this on a previous revised application. The same considerations applied. Neighbouring properties were being affected by bright lights at night and noise from the store. Shelves were being filled until midnight. Extended hours would cause more noise and traffic. It was unnecessary and the small shop in the village was open until 11 pm in any event. Hours should remain 7 am to 10 pm.

8. Enforcement of Planning – Parish Councils Role - to consider what action Parish Council should take regarding reduction of staffing of the enforcement department.

Cllr Kennett said that this had come from Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils. Enforcement on the Island had reduced to 2 half time posts. Ryde TC had put a paper together (which had been circulated) with the benefit of people with planning experience. Costs were now being investigated.

Cllr Wheeler said that he worried about permissions being issued with conditions when it seemed they could not be properly policed. He mentioned that there had been a suggestion that the contracts management team for the PFI could take on enforcement.

Cllr Kennett said that she found it surprising that enforcement was not a statutory function.

Cllr Wheeler mentioned correspondence he had had about premises at Freshwater Bay where Isle of Wight Council had said that they had insufficient resources to take action.

Cllr Fleury suggested that the Parish Council should support this subject to it being understood that further afield parishes should not be overlooked.

Cllr Harris mentioned the Freshwater Neighbourhood Plan. It was important that this should not be overridden.

Cllr Wheeler suggested looking at parishes clustering together to deal with this and asking the community for their views.

The meeting closed at 7.15 pm