

Sonning Common Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held on
Monday 12th June 2023 in the Village Hall.

Present: Mr Stoves, Mr Rawlins (Chair), Mrs McLellan, Mrs Diwell, Mr Robinson, Mr Collings (Parish Clerk), Mrs Underwood (Deputy Clerk) and several members of the public.

The meeting began at 7.35pm with Mr Stoves taking on the role of Chair due to the absence of Mr Rawlins who arrived at 7.40pm who apologised for his lateness and who then took over the role of Chair.

P24/007 Apologies for absence received from Mrs Pearman

P24/008 Declarations of interest - none.

P24/009 Public question time – several residents from Bird Wood Court and Essex Way spoke in relation to Planning Application P23/S1824/O and listed their concerns about this application. The concerns raised were the trees with TPO's, the mounds which possibly contain hazardous materials, the building on a green space, covenants, the boundary being incorrect, access and pavements, car park fumes, a request for a public consultation to be held on this application and a meeting to be held on site with the developer to discuss these concerns. John Neville from Elegant Homes responded to the residents concerns and did agree to have a site meeting with residents.

P24/010 New applications:

010.01 P23/S1824/O – Outline application for access only for the erection of 9 dwellings with associated infrastructure and landscaping, works to the Dorian Centre to provide repairs and sustainability upgrade, and construction of a new car park facility for the Dorian Centre, Bird Wood Court, Sonning Common. The Committee, after discussion, voted (with Mr Rawlins abstaining due to being late) to recommend that this application be refused on the grounds that planning and property law covenants over the site are such that the recreation and green space should not be lost.

010.04 P23/S1697/HH – Two storey side extension and addition of new fireplace and flue at the rear of existing drawing room at 7 Sedgewell Road, Sonning Common. It was noted at 9 Sedgewell Road have submitted an objection to this plan. After a discussion the Committee recommended that this be approved.

P24/011 The update on plans to seek £7.5 million from Inspired Villages by means such as Community Land Trusts etc was deferred to the next meeting due this meeting running over.

P24/012 Matters for future agendas – elect Vice-Chair and Inspired Villages.

Date of next meeting: Monday 10th July 2023 at 7.15pm

Chairman: Dated: