

MINUTES OF PLANNING MEETING

A planning meeting of Ham Parish Council took place on Friday 12th February 2016 at 6.30pm in the village hall.

Present:

Mr R Buchanan-Dunlop (Chairman), Mrs S Eldridge (Vice Chair), Mr C Dean, Mr R Miller, Lady Walker, Mr D Bicknell, Mrs J Barnwell (Clerk) and four members of the public

1. Apologies

None

2. Declarations of Interest

*Mr R Buchanan-Dunlop (Chairman), Councillor Dean

3. Minutes of planning meeting held 12th January 2016

The above minutes were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

4. Matters Arising

Ref: Application 15/12206/FUL (discussed 12.01.16)

Proposal: Removal of UPVC conservatory and single storey wing, construction of infill single storey elements and two-storey extension, conversion of garage to garden room together with covered parking area and garden store

At: The Lodge, Spray Road, Ham Spray, Marlborough Wiltshire SN8 3QZ

Application supported by Wiltshire Council

5. a) APPLICATION REF: 16/00603/TCA

Application for: Work to Trees in a Cons Area

Proposal: (i) - Ash tree - fell

(ii) - Ash tree and Sycamore tree - remove intertwined branches and two large overhanging branches to reduce weight.

These two trees are just outside of the Ham Conservation Area and are therefore exempt works

At: Brook House, Ham, Marlborough SN8 3RB

Assigned Officer: Sue Morgan

After an open discussion, *in which the Chairman sat with the floor while Mrs Eldridge chaired the meeting, it was agreed that the lone ash (i), which stands within the Conservation Area, was a relatively poor specimen, being very tall and spindly and was of no particular merit. In regard to the pruning of the other trees (ii), an ash and sycamore, which sit just outside of the Conservation Area, the Council requested that the natural shape of the top of the canopy should ideally be preserved in order to maintain the sweep of foliage, which it felt formed part of the backdrop of the village.

Decision: No Objection

b) APPLICATION REF: 16/01069/TCA

Application for: Work to Trees in a Cons Area

Proposal: Pollard one catalpa, reduce 4 Hazels & Fern by 50%, remove two Ash trees.
Reduce 4 Lime trees by two thirds.

At: Forge Cottage, Ham, Marlborough SN8 3RB

Assigned Officer: Beverley Griffin

Decision: No Objection

The meeting concluded at 7pm