Minutes of a Meeting of Little Chalfont Parish Council Planning Committee Held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 28 June 2011 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr M Dear; Cllr B Drew; Cllr J Hinkly; Cllr L Hunt (Chairperson); Cllr D Rafferty; Cllr V Patel **In Attendance:** Mrs K Sterling (Assistant Clerk);

Members of Public: Cllr D Phillips (CDC); Mr I Golton; Mr R Rolls; Mr L Davis; Ms A Whitely; Mr J Vincent; Ms P Milne; Mr M Parker; Ms V Hamilton; Mr N Hamilton; Ms K Stammers; Ms S Jones; Mr T Knight; Mr E Pugh; Mr M Arnold; Mr M Turnbull; Ms A Greatbatch

- 1 Apologies for absence: None
- **2 Approval of the minutes of the 03 May 2011**: These were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- **3** Suspension of standing orders enabling members of the public to speak: The Chairperson suspended standing orders and a number of residents from Linfields and environs spoke in opposition to CH/2011/0853/RM. Thanking them the Chairperson reinstated standing orders.
- **4 Declarations of interest:** Cllr Hunt expressed an interest in application CH/2011/0937/FA because she knows the applicant.
- 5 Any Other Business(i) Gemma Payne; (ii) Re-distribution of roads
- 6 To consider the following applications:

Application number	Summary of Proposed Works	Little Chalfont Planning Committee	
and address		Recommendation	
CH/2011/0853/RM	Installation of two	The Parish Council Object	
Corner Of Linfields	telecommunications cabinets		
Little Chalfont	and telecommunications	See below	
	column		

The Parish Council Object. Whilst we are not in principle against a new Vodafone installation in Little Chalfont, we consider the proposed site to be unsuitable.

The proposed site is across the road from the Established Residential Area of Special Character which according to CDC's policy H4 has "special vulnerability to insensitive development". The development would also be significant detriment to the amenity of residents. The equipment cabinet and antenna would be prominent and intrusive in the locality by virtue of its size, appearance and siting and as such would adversely affects the street scene.

The proposed equipment cabinet and antenna would be sited on an open verge where it would be highly visible within the street scene and from the public footpath which runs adjacent to the verge.

The developers do not seem to have taken account of the Code of Best Practice on Mobile Phone Network Development - they show disregard for the character of the area concerned; they have not produced a harmonious development that minimises the contrast between equipment and its surroundings and overall it seems ill considered.

LCPC suggested alternative locations for the siting of this equipment to Mr Hosker but he discounted them as unsuitable. We would like to see these alternative sites given further consideration by Vodafone.

Application CH/2008/1686/RM was rejected on 9th December 2008 on similar grounds and was not on such a

large scale (only 10m high).		
Cllr Drew will be attending the CDC Planning Committee meeting on 07 July 2011 to speak against this application.		
CH/2011/0829/FAE	Redevelopment of site to	No Comment
Former Site Of Ranters	provide a two storey building	

Former Site Of Ranters 178 White Lion Road Little Chalfont	provide a two storey building comprising 8 flats and 1 semi detached house incorporating a lower ground floor/basement level carpark and new vehicular access from St Nicholas Close (extension of time limit to planning application reference CH/2008/1664/FA)	
CH/2011/0845/FA	Single storey front extension	No Objection
Jandra	incorporating replacement	
Maplefield Lane	roof over existing garage, first	
Little Chalfont	floor rear extension,	
HP8 4TY	alterations to fenestration	
	details, laying of hardstanding,	
	widening of existing vehicular	
	access and replacement brick	
	piers to front boundary	
CH/2011/0937/FA	Two storey side extension	No Objection
35 Chessfield Park		
Little Chalfont		
HP6 6RU		

7 To consider the following Certificates of Lawfulness

Application number	Summary of Proposed Works	Little Chalfont Planning
and address		Committee Recommendation
CH/2011/0589/SA	Application for a Certificate of	No Comment
Rowans	Lawfulness for a proposed operation	
38 Beechwood Avenue	relating to the erection of a single	
Little Chalfont	storey rear extension	
HP6 6PN		

8 To receive decisions of Chiltern District Council's Planning Committee: these were distributed

- **9** To receive appeal notices and decisions: (i) CH/2011/0130/FA 1B Russell Close, Little Chalfont, HP6 6RE Single storey rear extension Appeal Dismissed
- 10 Licensing applications: None
- 11 Enforcement: Chalfont Interiors, 2 Nightingales Corner The Clerk has written to CDC concerning the advertisements displayed on the first and second floor on the front elevation of the building and has received a confirmation from the Principal Planning Officer for Enforcement that it will be investigated. It was agreed that, in the meantime, the Clerk would write to Chalfont Interiors advising them of the many complaints received and ask for the sign to be removed.
- 12 Railway Communications Systems mast Chalfont & Latimer station –Cllr Rafferty attended the Public Consultation meeting about this mast on 27 June 2011. He reported that the mast is to replace the existing mast of the same height but is more substantial. As the site is well away from any residential buildings and the radio beam is unidirectional he suggested that no objection should be made. (If the mast was on Network Rail land it would be classed as permitted development). It was agreed that the Council would make no objection to the mast.
- **13** Waster Transfer Station, London Road There are no further details available but as soon as a Planning application is received by BCC the Parish Council will be notified.
- 14 Core Strategy The final version of a joint leaflet from LCPC and the LCCA has been previously circulated to all Councillors and this should be distributed to all Little Chalfont residents in the next few weeks. All comments on the Proposed Significant Changes to the Core Strategy and the accompanying Sustainability Appraisal report must be received by the Planning Policy Team by Friday 5th August 2011. It was agreed that the Council would not write again.
- 15 Any Other Business: (i) Cllr Hunt brought to the Council's attention the recent sudden death of Gemma Payne, a Planning Case Officer at CDC. Cllr Hunt commented on how helpful she had always been and how sadly she will be missed. CDC have opened a book of condolences if anyone would like to sign it.(ii) Roads: Roads previously allocated to Gary Smith will be allocated on an as needs basis to Councillors by the Clerk, if an application is submitted. This will be a temporary arrangement until the vacancy for a Councillor has been filled.
- **16** Date of next meeting: Tuesday 19th July 2011at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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