



DRAFT Minutes of the Urchfont Parish Council (UPC) Planning Meeting held in Urchfont Village Hall on Wednesday 11th January 2023

Present: Councillors: Botham (MB – Chairman), Hollyman (MH - Vice-Chairman), Turner (MT), Bamber (SB), Gibb (HG), Rotherham(PR), Rotherford (JR) and Scanlon (RS)

Clerk to the Council: Lunn (BL)

Councillor for Urchfont & Bishops Cannings: Cllr Whitehead (PW)

Members of the Public (for all or part of the meeting): Trevor Hill, Malcolm Smith, Nicky Hammond, Ian Walker

1. **Apologies** – Cllrs Holt (SH), Moscrop (PM)
2. **Declarations of Interest**
3. **Minutes of a meeting held on 14th December 2022**

Proposal	Proposer	Seconder	Resolution
To approve and sign the minutes unchanged as a true and accurate record of the meeting.	MT	MH	AGREED with 3 abstention as did not attend

4. **Matters arising from Minutes of 14th December 2022** – None reported

5. **Plans for discussion**

- a. **PL/2022/09645 - Householder planning permission - Proposed Single Storey Extensions & Ancillary Outbuilding at 18 WALNUT CLOSE, URCHFONT, DEVIZES, SN10 4RU**

MT and MB visited the property on 11th January 2023 and met with the applicant.

MT explained that this is a modification to already approve plans to include a porch and boot room. He commented that the modifications appeared reasonable and would enhance the appearance of the property. No objections had been raised by neighbours who would not be impacted by the plans. MB commented that this appeared a perfectly reasonable request.

Proposal	Proposer	Seconder	Resolution
To SUPPORT this application with conditions as applied on earlier approved application	MT	MH	AGREED unanimously

- b. **PL/2022/09557 - Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area - Fell / remove a magnolia tree in the front garden of 7 The Orchard, Urchfont. SN10 4QX**

MT and MB visited the property on 11th January 2023.

MT commented that the front garden tree shaded and restricted daylight through the front window. HG asked why the tree could not be cut back rather than felled, MT responded that the branches are very low down.

Proposal	Proposer	Seconder	Resolution
NO OBJECTION	MT	MH	AGREED with one abstention

- c. **PL/2022/09198 - Full planning permission - Installation of 14 solar panels - 7 facing east and 7 facing west - on sloped slate roof over first floor of south facing aspect of the property at 19 Manor Farmyard, Urchfont, Devizes, Wilts, SN10 4BA**

No site visit made due to absence of applicant.

MT commented that a precedent had already been set by WC in approving an earlier solar panel application in Manor Farmyard in similar circumstances. MH commented that seven would face east and seven west, mostly overlooking Friars Lane. No objections have been raised by neighbours.

Proposal	Proposer	Secunder	Resolution
To SUPPORT this application	MT	MH	AGREED Unanimously

d. PL/2023/00095 - Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area - Group of eucalyptus (T1) - reduce in height to previous reduction points (4/5m) at CUCKOO FARMHOUSE, CUCKOO CORNER, URCHFONT, DEVIZES, SN10 4RA

MB and MT visited the property on 11th January 2023.

MT commented that this relates to quick growing trees requiring ongoing maintenance, he could see no problem with the application. MB agreed.

Proposal	Proposer	Secunder	Resolution
NO OBJECTION to this application	MT	MH	AGREED unanimously

6. Decisions received from Wiltshire Council up until 1st January 2023

- a. PL/2022/08194 - Householder Application - Erection of Two Storey Extension at 21 THE PADDOCK, URCHFONT, DEVIZES, SN10 4SH – APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**
- b. PL/2022/08538 - Householder Application - New single storey rear extension and detached single storey garden studio at 8 MANOR FARMYARD, URCHFONT, DEVIZES, SN10 4BA – APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**

7. Matters for Report – None raised

Date of Next Scheduled Meeting: 8th February 2023 as part of the Full Council meeting.