



Ashington Parish Council

Planning Committee Meeting

Minutes of Ashington Parish Council Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 18th November @ 7:30pm in Ashington Sports Pavilion.

Present: Councillors: N Clark, S Cox, T Kearney, K Wood, M Woolley
Parish Clerk: C Price
Neighbourhood Plan Clerk: K Dare
Members of the public: 6
Declarations of Interest: None
Apologies received from: J Stillwell

Public Adjournment

2 members of the public raised objections to DC/15/2448 – Sunbeams, London Road. The reasons for objection are: parking, loss of amenity to 16 Alicia Avenue by way of loss of light, over development, appearance of the street scene (most of the dwellings are bungalows and the building line is not in keeping with the rest of the road), change of access (London Road is a busy road with limited visibility due to the number of parked cars, the road will become busier with the opening of the new garage), access required for construction vehicles.

1 member of the public raised objection to DC/15/2442 – Hillcrest Drive. The reasons for objection is parking. There is only 1 space per property. A large tree in the front garden is likely to have to be removed and the new driveway will have difficult access due to current on street parking. In response a representative for the development advised there is potential for 2 parking spaces on both properties. Most properties on the road are semi-detached and this development is in keeping with the street scene.

A member of the public raised concerns regarding DC/15/2439 – Erection of illuminated signs for new garage. Illuminations should be limited to opening hours.

Planning applications

DC/15/2442 Single storey extension to detached dwelling to form 2 x semi-detached dwellings - Hillcrest Drive. The Parish Council previously objected on the grounds of over development, appearance of the street scene, inadequate parking, no private garden for plot 1 and enclosed high fenced front garden not in keeping with the rest of the road. The previous application was withdrawn.

This submission addresses many of the previous objections however the parking has not been addressed. Therefore the Parish Council will object on the grounds of inadequate parking and overdevelopment.

DC/15/2448 Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2 x 5 bedroom dwellings with new access – Sunbeams, London Road. The Parish Council objected previously on the grounds of overdevelopment and no small homes. HDC refused the application on the grounds of overdevelopment and the impact on 16 Alicia Avenue.

The new application does not address the previous objections and has a window on the north side of plot 2 which overlooks 1 Greenacres which will result in loss of amenity and there is very little change to the original application. Following discussion all agreed to object as previously with the addition of: loss of amenity to 1 Greenacres, parking and access via London Road, building line and street scene and against the housing needs survey as no smaller properties within the development.

DC/15/2439 Erection of illuminated signs for new BP garage. Following discussion it was agreed to comment on the application stating that signs should be turned off when the garage is closed to limit the impact on the residential environment and request the signs are reduced in height.

DC/15/2662 Demolition of the existing garage and erection of new garage – Rectory Cottage, Rectory Lane. The Parish Council has no objection.

DC/15/2413 Replacement of garage door with window – 10 Turnpike Way. The Parish Council has no objections but comments on the loss of parking

Amendments

None

Correspondence

None

Meeting finished at 8:25pm

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