



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE CHILTERN'S  
CONSERVATION BOARD FOR THE CHILTERN'S AREA OF OUTSTANDING  
NATURAL BEAUTY**

**held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at Collings Hanger Farm, 100 Wycombe Road,  
Great Missenden HP16 0HP commencing at 10.40 AM**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Appointing Body</b>
<b>Appointed by Local Authorities</b>	
Cllr Lynn Lloyd	South Oxfordshire District Council.
Cllr Hugh McCarthy	Wycombe District Council

<b>Appointed by the Secretary of State</b>	
Colin Courtney	Secretary of State
John Nicholls	Secretary of State- Chairman
Elizabeth Wilson	Secretary of State

<b>Elected by Parish Councils</b>	
Cllr Alison Balfour-Lynn	Hertfordshire
Cllr Sue Biggs	Oxfordshire

<b>Co-opted Members</b>	
Paul Hayes	

<b>Officers present-</b>	
Elaine King	CCB Chief Executive Officer
Lucy Murfett	CCB Planning Officer
Mike Stubbs	CCB Planning Advisor

<b>And others</b>	
Deirdre Hansen	Minute taker
Paul Matthews	Member of the Public-Volunteer Transport Advisor
Eleanor Sweet-Escott	Natural England, shadowing the Planning Officer

**389. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Chris Hannington, co-opted member, Cllr Richard Newcombe, Aylesbury Vale District Council and Cllr Nick Rose, Chiltern District Council

**390. Declarations of Interest**

The Chairman declared a personal interest as a member of Caversham and District Residents Association, Cllr Hugh McCarthy declared a personal interest as a member of Wycombe District Council's Planning Committee, Colin Courtney declared a personal interest as a member of the Princes Risborough Area Residents, all in reference to item 396 Planning Applications.

### **391. Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> November 2019 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

### **392. Matters Arising from the minutes**

- Re 383 Transport in the Chilterns, a document produced with the Chiltern Society, has not been finalised but, further work has been undertaken and a copy of the latest draft is included in the 4<sup>th</sup> March planning committee papers.
- Re 380 Light Pollution is a feature of the Transport Document. It was noted that a guideline document would be of assistance to planners. The matter to be brought to a future meeting.
- Re 370 Great Western Railway project. A programme manager has been employed and a team has visited the site to get a view of the challenges ahead. The programme manager will be invited to address a future meeting.
- Re 384 It was noted that it is useful seeing the list of planning applications dealt with.

### **393. Public Question time**

No public questions

### **394. Update on Planning Officer recruitment.**

Members had been issued with the recruitment pack.

The Planning Officer gave an update on progress. The job will be full time and the job title has changed to Principal Planning Officer. Closing date for applications is 16<sup>th</sup> March.

The Planning Officer will leave the CCB 18<sup>th</sup> March. There is likely to be a gap. The Planning Advisor will continue with the planning applications and some further assistance.

The members discussed resourcing and offered their assistance filling the gap in the short term.

The Planning Officer has enjoyed working with the Planning Advisor, they have worked very well together.

- 1. The Committee NOTED the update on Planning Officer recruitment and AGREED to promote the job opportunity amongst networks.**
- 2. The Committee PROVIDED feedback on assistance they could offer if there is a temporary hiatus in planning capacity.**

### **395. Update on Chilterns Transport Strategy work.**

The Planning Officer gave a short presentation on the emerging joint work with the Chiltern Society on Chilterns Transport Strategy Document following the presentation in November and the next steps.

The agreed objectives set out in "Chilterns Transport Planning: a common approach-Discussion Paper" are:

1. Reduce the impact of traffic and the need to travel
2. Increase travel by sustainable modes
3. Enhance and protect the Chilterns environment and air quality.

The members commented on and discussed the latest draft. It was agreed that certain changes should be made to the document.

A meeting had taken place between the Chiltern Society and Buckinghamshire Highways Authority exploring the potential receipt of such a document by Highway Authorities. The Highway Authority had encouraged the Chilterns Transport Strategy initiative.

In the gap between Planning Officers the Chairman of the Planning Committee will represent the CCB at the meeting to be convened with the 5 Highway Authorities. It is the intention that he should chair this meeting.

The Chief Executive Officer offered to arrange a meeting between the Chairman of the Planning Committee and the Chief Officer at the Chiltern Society.

The Chairman thanked the Planning officer for her work on this project.

**1. The Committee NOTED the update and PROVIDED feedback.**

**396. Planning Applications responses and updates**

The Planning Advisor had provided the Committee about and sought approval for the 19 representations and 2 appeal representations that have been made by the Planning Advisor under delegated powers in connection with Planning Applications as detailed in the agenda.

He noted that the Glover Review is starting to be mentioned in comments on planning applications and appeal decisions.

The responses were briefly discussed, and particular note was made of:

- P17//S3231/O/APP/Q3115/W/19/3222822 Land at Britwell Road Watlington. CCB: Part objection, Part comment. Pending.
- P18/S3724/DA and P18/S3725/DA and PINS: APP/Q3115/C/18/3215491 Land at Holly House, Harpsden Bottom, Harpsden. CCB: written representation. Appeal dismissed and enforcement notices upheld.
- 19/06683/FUL Weyburns Longdown Hill Cadsden. CCB objection, Refused. Appeal now withdrawn.
- P19/S4248/FUL BP Technologies campus near Caversham. CCB comments. Pending
- 19/04476 Adj Chiltern Railway Dunsmore to Great Missenden. CCB support. Pending
- 20/0002/EIAS Land adjoining Green Street and Orchard Drive Green Street, Chorleywood. CCB scoping comments
- 19/08031/FUL Land at Clappins Lane, Naphill. CCB part comment part objection. Pending.
- P19/S4576/O Land at Little Sparrows Sonning Common. CCB objections. Pending.
- 20/00176/FUL. (Land at Church Road) Church Road Little Gadsden. CCB objection. Pending.
- 19/040251/APP, AVDC. Lodge Farm, Upper Icknield Way, Buckland., CCB objections on heritage status of existing buildings.

The Planning Advisor was thanked for his work.

**1. The Committee NOTED and APPROVED the responses made in connection with the applications as listed.**

**397. Development Plan Responses**

The Planning Officer informed the Committee that she had submitted representations on 10 consultations of which 1 was a local plan, 3 supplementary planning documents, 1 garden town masterplan, 1 neighbourhood plan, 1 HS2 and 3 airport expansion/airspace consultations.

The Planning Officer had tried to get the Plan for M1 junction 11a to A6 Barton Road, Sundon Chalton, Streatley called in, but had not succeeded. Permission has been granted. The CCB has decided not to take this case further to Judicial Review

Members noted the various representations made.

1. WDC Householder Planning & Design Guidance SPD -Draft Supplementary Planning Document
2. Luton Airport Expansion LLAL statutory consultation on expansion
3. Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan main modifications
4. Wycombe airpark relocation of Glider Take off
5. Canopy Cover SPD-WDC
6. RAF Northwood Airspace change stage 2 airspace change process
7. HS2 Design engagement- Have your say on HS2 common design elements. Concerns were raised that HS2 is proposing to use standard route-wide designs for parapets and piers on some bridges and viaducts, and lineside noise barriers, even through the AONB.
8. Draft air quality SPD-WDC
9. Kimble neighbourhood plan submission- neighbourhood development plan
10. Aylesbury garden town masterplan. Not in the AONB, but its setting and with potential green infrastructure and recreation implications/opportunities.

**1 The Committee APPROVED the responses that had been sent, NOTED the current consultations on development plans.**

**398. Urgent Business**

1. The Chairman said farewell to the Buckinghamshire Local Authority members and gave thanks to all 3 members.
2. This is the Planning Officer’s last Planning Committee meeting. The Chairman stated her talent, dedication, work ethic, she is a great team player and expressed his pleasure of working with her. She has raised the profile of the CCB in her time with the CCB. Members added their own appreciation. It had been an honour to work with her, an absolute pleasure and a great contributor to the team. She is a dream person to work the job. She was wished well in her new post.

The Planning Officer thanked members and stated that she loved the job, the place and the people she has worked with.

The Chairman presented her with a gift and a card.

**Further meetings were agreed: Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> July 2020 and 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020.**

**The Chair.....**

**Date.....**