

SHERE PARISH COUNCIL

*Serving the villages of Gomshall, Holmbury St. Mary,
Peaslake, Shere and a large part of Abinger Hammer*

**Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting
held on 18 December 2013 at 7.30pm
in Tanyard Hall, 30 Station Road, Gomshall**

Present: Parish Councillors R Smith (Chairman), and M Taylor-Cotter, M Urban, B Grover
M Fontana and the Clerk: C. Howard. No members of the public was present.

Apologies for absence – apologies were received from Parish Councillor, R Davey, C
Brooke, R Andrews, C Carlisle

Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests – Cllr Taylor Cotter declared a
personal interest in 13/P/02139. Cllr Fontana declared a personal interest in 13/T/ 000319.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 29 November 2013 were **APPROVED AND SIGNED**
as a correct record.

Consideration of Planning Applications:

13/P/02021 Spinners, Church Hill, Shere, GU5 9HL

**Demolition of the building comprising the existing three dwellings and erection of three
replacement houses (revision of 13/P/00601)**

NO OBJECTION

13/P/02045 2 Albion Cottages, Horsham Rd, Holmbury St Mary RH5 6NH

Proposed white UPVC double glazed conservatory.

NO OBJECTION but Council would prefer to see the conservatory completed in wood
rather than PVC which is more appropriate in a rural area and would prefer a single sided
sloped roof. The Council would also like the officers to assess whether this is a case of a loss
of another small dwelling in a rural area due to the incremental growth here.

13/P/02068 Lavender House, Hoe Lane, Abinger Hammer, Dorking RH5 6RG

Landscaping works to front garden (retrospective)

NO OBJECTION

13/P/02098 Twiga Lodge, Wonham Way, Gomshall GU5 9NZ

**Erection of a chalet style bungalow and replacement garage following demolition of
existing story dwelling and double garage.**

NO OBJECTION

Applications received after the agenda had been printed:

**13/P/021909 Land north of High Barn, Sutton Place, Abinger Hammer RH5 6RP
Outline planning permission for the erection of two detached dwellings. All matters reserved except access and layout.**

The Council wishes to express a strong **OBJECTION** in principle to this application. The site lies in the Green Belt and in the protected landscape of the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the Council considers this to be inappropriate development which will affect the openness of the Green Belt and be detrimental to the AONB.

The argument that this site was identified for housing in the 1930's has no merit in current day planning terms, as this was before the area was designated as a protected area.

**13/P/02123 Melrose, Wonham Way, Peaslake GU5 9PA
Replacement dwelling following demolition of the existing bungalow.**

The Council wishes to raise an **OBJECTION** to this application as it is concerned that this is yet another loss of a small rural dwelling in the Green Belt. It is materially larger, almost doubling the floor space and the Council considers this to create an unacceptable increase in bulk and height.

**13/P/02139 Badgers Walk, Broadfield Road, Peaslake GU5 9TB
The erection of a tractor shed on agricultural land adjacent to Badgers Walk.
*Cllr Taylor Cotter declared a personal interest in this application.***

NO OBJECTION

**13/P/02154 5 Feldmore Cottages, Horsham Rd, Holmbury St Mary RH5 6NH
Two storey side extension**

Delegated to South East ward

13/P/02138 The Cottage, Knob Field, Abinger Hammer, RH5 6RJ

Delegated to South East ward

Consideration of Tree applications including those received after the agenda had been printed.

**13/T/00303 3 Pilgrims Way, Shere GU5 9HR
Hawthorn trees, T1, T2, T3, T4, T5, T7 & T8, Oak T6 fell, Willow T9 prune (Shere Conservation Area).**

OBJECTION. The Council is concerned that there is an excessive amount of trees being cut down for one small shed.

**13/T/00309 Sayers, The Square, Shere Gu5 9HG
Application to crown reduce Ash tree by 35% AND CROWN THIN BY 15% (Shere Conservation Area)**

NO OBJECTION

13/T/00319 The New House, Gomshall Lane, Shere GU5 9HB T1 Weeping Ash – Fell as tree has Heatwood Decay (Shere Conservation Area)

The Council regrets the loss of this tree but is content to leave the decision regarding the diagnosis and extent of the disease to the tree officer.

Planning Inspectorate Appeal Decision

None

Local Plan

Press release regarding the enormous response to the Local Plan Options consultation (over 15,000 responses) was **NOTED**.

Planning Correspondence received which may be of interest to the Committee

Email from Planning officer, Ms Jethwa regarding a long list of informatives for application 13/P/ 01806 Bentleys, Hound House Rd Shere.

Cllr Grover requested that the Clerk reintroduce a system for monitoring the success of our objections and GBC decisions. This was unanimously agreed by the Planning Committee.

ACTION: Clerk to reintroduce system for monitoring planning application success rates.

Enforcement Action

No Update

Councillors' Business (for noting, delegation to the Clerk or inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting).

1. Councillors expressed concern that Rad Cottage- now called Bow Lines, have more excavation work going on and new conservatory appears to be being erected. Councillors believed there was an informative that no further development would be allowed at this site.

ACTION: Clerk to report issue to Enforcement officers.

2. Cllr Taylor- Cotter queried whether there had been the proper consultation with businesses before the closure of the Post Office in Gomshall. The Council agreed that the complaint should be taken up with Royal Mail, whose responsibility it was to do the consultation.

3. The Chairman highlighted that a new Government consultation on Fracking had just been published and it was agreed to put this on the January agenda.

ACTION: Clerk to put Fracking Consultation on January agenda.

ACTION: Cllr Taylor- Cotter to ask Jane to attend meeting and speak on the subject.

4. Councillors highlighted that the new Government Airport consultation had just been released and it was agreed to put this on the agenda for the January meeting.
ACTION: Chairman to review papers for January meeting.

Date of the next Planning meeting: Wednesday 8th January 2014.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

C.Howard 19.12.13