

CHANDLER'S FORD AND HILTINGBURY LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 12 January 2022 (7:00 pm – 7:45 pm)

PRESENT:

Councillor Duguid (Chair); Councillors Broadhurst, Groves and Pragnell

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Buckley and Grajewski

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RESOLVED ITEMS (SUBJECT TO QUESTIONS ONLY)

125. MINUTES

**RESOLVED -**

**That the Minutes of the meeting held on 10 November 2021 be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.**

126. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Groves declared a pecuniary/prejudicial interest in Agenda item 8 as the application was made by his wife and related to a property he jointly owns.

127. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation on this occasion.

128. CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair stated that the things were still difficult for people with the new and very infectious variant of Covid-19. He added that the community still needed to protect itself but that he was hopeful that soon, when it was safe to do so, people could get back to social events – of which many had been suspended – like concert halls, theatres, community centres and churches, for their wellbeing.

The Chair mentioned that PID was in progress and progressing well, and that he was receiving good reports about Hiltingbury Lakes and that the Committee had all had a chance to make comments. He added that the shortage of self-binding materials currently had slowed progress slightly.

The Chair said that car parking issues had been raised in the area and was being dealt with by officers.

The Chair thanked everyone for the diligence in conducting the meeting in difficult times.

129. REPORT OF THE LOCAL AREA MANAGER

Consideration was given to a report of the Local Area Manager (Agenda item 6) that contained recommendations for expenditure from the Committee's reserves.

It was agreed the Chair would have a discussion with the Leader of the Council regarding further funding to the reserves.

**RESOLVED –**

**That the Committee:**

- (1) Approved the allocation of £400 for community grants for Ramalley Scout group and RLM fitness**
- (2) Approved the allocation of £780 to install standard floor mounted Broxap derby 120L dual waste bins at Marlborough Road and Hillcrest Avenue; and**
- (3) Approved the Chandler's Ford and Hiltingbury (CFH) Local Area Action Plan 2022/23, shown in Appendix 1, for adoption and publication.**

130. PRESENTATION ON PLANNING GUIDELINES

The Local Area Manager gave a short presentation on guidelines that had to be taken into account when determining tree preservation order applications; in particular the issues that could, and could not, be taken into account. This was set against the broader policy framework.

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131. PLANNING APPLICATION - 10 THOROLD ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 5BR (T/21/91858)

The Committee considered the report of the Tree Consultant (Agenda item 8) concerning an application for 1 no. Oak (T1) at 10 Thorold Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, SO53 5BR - Reduce tree by approximately one third or 4m - finished height about 8m (almost a pollard). The tree is in significant decline and a reduction will hopefully re-invigorate the tree and lessen likelihood of failure. (Ref:T/21/91858)

The Committee was advised that

**RESOLVED –**

That the application be determined as set out below:

1. **CONSENT TO: 1 no. Oak (T1) at 10 Thorold Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, SO53 5BR - Reduce tree by approximately one third or 4m - finished height about 8m (almost a pollard).**
2. **The tree works hereby consented shall be completed within 2 years of the date of this permission and shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details and to British Standard for Tree Work BS3998:2010. Reason: To safeguard the health and amenity of the trees.**
3. **Informatives:**
  - **Note to Applicant: It is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions attached to this permission, the proposed tree works are acceptable because they will not materially harm the character of the area, the amenity of neighbours or highway safety, and are in accordance with the policies and proposals of the development plan and after due regard to all other relevant material considerations the local planning authority is of the opinion that permission should be granted.**
  - **Note to applicant: All works hereby consented should be carried out by a suitably qualified and insured tree surgeon. A copy of the decision notice should be given to the Tree Surgeon.**
  - **Note to applicant: Deadwood may be removed at any time without an application.**
  - **Note to applicant: Please be advised that the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended, the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 and the Conservation (Natural Habitats) Regulations 1994 protect ALL wild birds, their nests (whether in use or being built) and eggs and other wild animals including bats and their roosts in or adjacent to trees.**
  - **Note to applicant: The granting of consent does not give the applicant or their agent a legal right to enter land without the owner's permission.**
  - **Note to applicant: Advice regarding overhead utilities should be sought with the relevant service provider prior to commencing works.**

- **Note to applicant: Please follow current recommended Bio-security measures - Further advice can be found at <https://www.trees.org.uk/News-Blog/News/Biosecurity-in-Arbiculture-and-Urban-Forestry-Po>**
- **Note to applicant: Deadwood within trees provides a rich and important habitat; it can be a natural part of the trees life cycle. Consider retention of deadwood where it is safe to do so.**

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A statement was read out from a tree surgeon who had worked on the tree in 2011 which stated that the tree had been in decline since then and had the potential to cause significant damage to the owner's property, the neighbouring property and the public if nothing was done. In his opinion the tree would respond to pollard, and even if it did not it would remain a strong feature in the road and a long-term haven for wildlife. He also stated the only alternative, in his opinion, would be to remove the tree and replant the stump.)

## 132. PLANNING APPEALS

The Head of Legal reported:-

(a) that the following appeals had been lodged:-

5 Broxburn Close, Chandlers Ford, Eastleigh. SO53 5DX

Appealed against the refusal of planning permission of the raising of roof to the rear to provide first floor living accommodation, and single storey rear extension.

This was a delegated decision.

307 Hursley Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, SO53 5PJ

Appealed against the refusal of planning permission of proposed garage/ outbuilding with first floor home office.

This was a delegated decision.

50 Shaftesbury Avenue, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, SO53 3BP

Appealed against the refusal of planning permission of two storey rear/side, first floor side extension and alterations to fenestration.

This was a delegated decision.

**RESOLVED -**

**That the report be noted.**