

**PLANNING COMMITTEE  
20 JUNE 2019  
7.30 - 9.27 PM**



**Present:**

Councillors Dudley (Chairman), Brossard (Vice-Chairman), Angell, Dr Barnard, Bhandari, D Birch, Brown, Green, Mrs Hayes MBE, Heydon, Mrs Mattick, Mrs McKenzie, Mrs McKenzie-Boyle, Mossom, Parker and Virgo

**Apologies for absence were received from:**

Councillors Gbadebo and Skinner

**Also Present:**

Councillors Atkinson and Gaw

**7. Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Annual Committee held on 22 May 2019 and the Committee held on 3 June 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**8. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**9. Urgent Items of Business**

There were no urgent items of business.

**10. PS Application No 19/00078/FUL - 115-117 Fernbank Road, Ascot**

**Erection of 4no. 2 bedroom dwellings with access, associated parking and landscaping following demolition of 2no. existing bungalows**

A site visit had been held on Saturday 15 June 2019, which had been attended by Councillors Barnard, Bhandari Birch, Brown, Dudley, Green, Mrs Hayes, Mrs McKenzie-Boyle, Mossom, Parker, Turrell and Virgo.

The Committee noted:

- The supplementary report of the Head of Planning tabled at the meeting.
- The comments of Winkfield Parish Council objecting to the proposal.
- A total of 37 objections received as summarised in the Agenda papers.

The criteria for public speaking had been met in respect of this application and the Committee was addressed by Mr Vincent Wall objecting to the application, and Mr Ben Wilcox on behalf of the application.

**Following the completion of planning obligation(s) under Section 106** of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 relating to measures to avoid and mitigate the impact of residential development upon the Thames Basins Heath Special Protection Area (SPA);

**RESOLVED** that the Head of Planning be authorised to **APPROVE** the application subject to the following conditions:-

01. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

REASON: To comply with Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

02. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out only in accordance with the following approved plans received by the Local Planning Authority on 26 April 2019:

Drawing no. 100 Rev 01

Drawing no. 101 Rev 01

Drawing no. 200 Rev 01

Drawing no. 201 Rev 01

Drawing no. 202 Rev 01

Drawing no. 300 Rev 01

Drawing no. 301 Rev 01

Drawing no. 310 Rev 01

REASON: To ensure that the development is carried out only as approved by the Local Planning Authority.

03. The development hereby permitted shall not be begun until details of the materials to be used in the construction of the external surfaces of the development hereby permitted have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

REASON: In the interests of the visual amenities of the area.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP EN20, CSDPD CS7]

04. The development hereby permitted shall not be begun until details showing the finished floor levels of the building hereby approved in relation to a fixed datum point have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

REASON: In the interests of the character of the area.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP EN20, CSDPD CS7]

05. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (or any Order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification) no additional windows, similar openings or enlargement thereof shall be constructed at first floor level or above in the side elevations of the dwellings hereby permitted except for any which may be shown on the approved drawings.

REASON: To prevent the overlooking of neighbouring properties.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP EN20]

06. The dwellings hereby permitted shall not be occupied until a scheme depicting hard and soft landscaping has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall include a 3 year post planting maintenance

schedule. All planting comprised in the soft landscaping works shall be carried out and completed in full accordance with the approved scheme, in the nearest planting season (1st October to 31st March inclusive) to the completion of the development or prior to the occupation of any part of the approved development, whichever is sooner. All hard landscaping works shall be carried and completed prior to the occupation of any part of the approved development. As a minimum, the quality of all hard and soft landscape works shall be carried out in accordance with British Standard 4428:1989 'Code Of practice For General Landscape Operations' or any subsequent revision. All trees and other plants included within the approved details shall be healthy, well formed specimens of a minimum quality that is compatible with British Standard 3936:1992 (Part 1) 'Specifications For Trees & Shrubs' and British Standard 4043 (where applicable) or any subsequent revision. Any trees or other plants which within a period of 5 years from the completion of the development, die, are removed, uprooted, are significantly damaged, become diseased or deformed, shall be replaced during the nearest planting season (1st October to 31st March inclusive) with others of the same size, species and quality as approved. The areas shown for landscaping shall thereafter be retained.

REASON: In the interests of the visual amenities of the area.

[Relevant Plans and Policies: BFBLP EN20, CSDPD CS7]

07. The dwellings hereby permitted shall not be occupied until details of a scheme of walls, fences and any other means of enclosure have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. All boundary treatments should provide for the free movement of wildlife to and from the site. The approved scheme shall be implemented in full before the first occupation of any dwelling hereby approved.

REASON: In the interests of the visual amenities of the area and in the interests of nature conservation.

[Relevant Plans and Policies: BFBLP EN20, CSDPD CS1, CS7]

08. The development hereby permitted shall not be begun until a Sustainability Statement covering water efficiency aimed at achieving an average water use in new dwellings of 110 litres/person/day, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be implemented in accordance with the Sustainability Statement, as approved, and retained as such thereafter.

REASON: In the interests of sustainability and the efficient use of resources.

[Relevant Policy: CSDPD CS10]

09. The development hereby permitted shall not be begun until an Energy Demand Assessment demonstrating that a proportion of the development's energy requirements will be provided from on-site renewable energy production (which proportion shall be 10%) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be implemented in accordance with the Energy Demand Assessment as approved and retained as such thereafter.

REASON: In the interests of the sustainability and the efficient use of resources.

[Relevant Plans and Policies: CSDPD Policy CS12]

10. The dwellings hereby permitted shall not be occupied until a means of vehicular access has been constructed in accordance with the approved plans before the first occupation of any dwelling hereby approved and retained as such thereafter.

REASON: In the interests of highway safety.

[Relevant Policies: CSDPD CS23]

11. The dwellings hereby permitted shall not be occupied until visibility splays of 2.0 metres by 2.0 metres have been provided at the junction of the driveway and the adjacent footway before the first occupation of any dwelling hereby approved. The

dimensions shall be measured along the edge of the drive and the back of the footway from their point of intersection. The visibility splays shall at all times thereafter be kept free of all obstructions to visibility over a height of 0.6 metres measured from the surface of the carriageway.

REASON: In the interests of highway safety.

[Relevant Policies: CSDPD CS23]

12. The dwellings hereby permitted shall not be occupied until the associated vehicle parking and turning space has been surfaced and marked out in accordance with the approved drawings before the first occupation of any dwelling hereby approved. The spaces shall thereafter be kept available for parking at all times.

REASON: To ensure that the development is provided with adequate car parking to prevent the likelihood of on-street car parking which would be a danger to other road users.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP M9, CSDPD CS23]

13. The dwellings hereby permitted shall not be occupied until secure and covered parking for bicycles has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The facilities shall be provided before the first occupation of any dwelling hereby approved and thereafter retained as such.

REASON: To ensure bicycle facilities are provided.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP M9, CSDPD CS23]

14. No gates shall be provided at the vehicular access to the site.

REASON: In the interests of highway safety.

[Relevant Policies: CSDPD CS23]

15. The development hereby permitted shall not be begun until a scheme has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, to accommodate:

- (a) Parking of vehicles of site personnel, operatives and visitors
- (b) Loading and unloading of plant and vehicles
- (c) Storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development
- (d) Wheel cleaning facilities
- (e) Temporary portacabins and welfare for site operatives

and each facility shall be retained throughout the course of construction of the development, free from any impediment to its designated use. No other areas on the site, other than those in the approved scheme shall be used for the purposes listed (a) to (e) above.

REASON: In the interests of amenity and road safety.

16. The development shall incorporate surface water drainage that is SuDS compliant and in accordance with DEFRA "Sustainable Drainage Systems - Non-statutory technical standards for sustainable drainage systems" (March 2015). The surface water drainage works shall be completed before occupation of the dwellings hereby permitted and shall be operated and maintained as such thereafter.

REASON: To prevent increased risk of flooding, to improve and protect water quality and ensure future maintenance of the surface water drainage scheme.

[Relevant Policies: CSDPD CS1, BFBLP EN25]

17. All ecological measures and/or works shall be carried out in accordance with the details contained in the document "Preliminary Bat and Walkover Survey" by 4 Acre Ecology Limited received 28 January 2019 by the Local Planning Authority. An ecological site inspection report shall be submitted for approval within three months of the first occupation of any dwelling hereby approved.

REASON: In the interests of nature conservation

[Relevant Plans and Policies: CSDPD CS1, CS7]

18. No demolition shall be begun until a scheme for the provision of biodiversity enhancements (not mitigation), including a plan or drawing showing the location of these enhancements, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The approved scheme shall be performed, observed and complied with and retained as such thereafter.

REASON: In the interests of nature conservation

[Relevant Plans and Policies: CSDPD CS1, CS7]

19. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) or any Order revoking and re-enacting that order, the dwellings hereby permitted shall not be occupied until details of external lighting installed on the site or affixed to any buildings on the site, including details set out in a lighting design strategy for biodiversity have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The strategy shall:

a) identify those area/features on site that are particularly sensitive for bats and that are likely to cause disturbance in or around their breeding sites and resting places or along important routes used to access key areas of their territory, for example, for foraging; and

b) show how and where external lighting will be installed (through the provision of appropriate lighting contour plans and technical specifications) so that it can be clearly demonstrated that areas to be lit will not disturb or prevent bats using their territory or having access to their breeding sites and resting places.

All external lighting shall be installed in accordance with the specifications and locations set out in the strategy, and these shall be maintained thereafter in accordance with the strategy.

REASON: In the interests of nature conservation

[Relevant Plans and Policies: CSDPD CS1, CS7]

20. No development shall take place until details of the remedial works to the side elevation of the outbuilding belonging to 113 Fernbank Road following the demolition of the existing outbuilding at 115 Fernbank Road have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

REASON: In the interests of the amenities of the residents of the neighbouring property.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP EN20]

11. **Application No 19/00332/FUL - 56 King Edwards Road, Ascot**

This application was withdrawn from the agenda.

12. **Application No 19/00036/FUL - North Street Garage, North Street, Winkfield  
Erection of 2no. dwellings with associated access, parking, turning area and landscaping following demolition of existing garage and hard standing.**

A site visit had been held on Saturday 15 June 2019, which had been attended by Councillors Barnard, Bhandari Birch, Brown, Dudley, Gaw, Green, Mrs Hayes, Mrs McKenzie-Boyle, Mossom, Parker, Turrell and Virgo.

The Committee noted:

- The supplementary report of the Head of Planning tabled at the meeting.
- The comments of Winkfield Parish Council.

- The 9 letters of support received as summarised in the Agenda papers.

**RESOLVED** that the application be **REFUSED** subject to the following reasons: -

01. This proposal constitutes development which is by definition inappropriate as it would be harmful to the openness of the Green Belt. The proposed development by reason of its siting, scale, mass and bulk would have a greater impact on the openness of the Green Belt than the existing building on the site and would represent a cramped form of development to the detriment of the rural character and visual amenities of the Green Belt setting. The development is therefore contrary to Saved Policy GB1 of the Bracknell Forest Borough Local Plan, Policy CS9 of the Core Strategy Development Plan Document and the National Planning Policy Framework.

02. The proposed development will have an adverse impact on protected trees considered to make an important contribution to the landscape character and appearance of the area and without any satisfactory mitigation to offset the loss of the Willow Tree and the pressure to prune the boundary trees in the future would be contrary to Policy CS7 Of the Core Strategy Policy and Saved Policies EN1, EN20 of the BFBLP and the National Planning Policy Framework.

13. **Application No 19/00328/FUL - Holm Wood, Forest Road, Binfield**

**Erection of 3 no. 3 bedroom dwellings and associated access, parking, bin and cycle stores, following demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings**

A site visit had been held on Saturday 15 June 2019, which had been attended by Councillors Barnard, Bhandari, Birch, Brown, Dudley, Green, Mrs Hayes, Mrs McKenzie-Boyle, Mossom, Parker, Turrell and Virgo.

The Committee noted:

- The supplementary report of the Head of Planning tabled at the meeting.
- The comments of Binfield Parish Council objecting to the proposal.
- The 2 letters of objection received as summarised in the Agenda papers.

**RESOLVED** that the application be **APPROVED** subject to the following conditions:-

01. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

REASON: To comply with Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

02. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out only in accordance with the following approved plans received by the Local Planning Authority on 8th of April 2019, 18th of April 2019 and 7<sup>th</sup> of June 2019:

Site plan

Location Plan

Plans, Elevations and Section A-A, drawing no.21901-01 02

Site Plan and Street Scene Elevation, drawing no.21901-1 01 Rev C (amended)

REASON: To ensure that the development is carried out only as approved by the Local Planning Authority

03. No construction works shall take place until brick and tile samples to be used in the construction of the external surfaces of the development hereby permitted have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

REASON: In the interests of the visual amenities of the area.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP EN20, Core Strategy DPD CS7]

04. No construction works shall take place until details showing the finished floor levels of the dwellings hereby approved in relation to a fixed datum point have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

REASON: In the interests of the character of the area.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP EN20, Core Strategy DPD CS7]

05. No construction works shall take place until a scheme depicting hard and soft landscaping has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall include details of the proposed maximum heights of the planting and include a 3 year post planting maintenance schedule.

All planting comprised in the soft landscaping works shall be carried out and completed in full accordance with the approved scheme, in the nearest planting season (1st October to 31st March inclusive) to the completion of the development or prior to the occupation of any part of the approved development, whichever is sooner. All hard landscaping works shall be carried and completed prior to the occupation of any part of the approved development. As a minimum, the quality of all hard and soft landscape works shall be carried out in accordance with British Standard 4428:1989 'Code Of practice For General Landscape Operations' or any subsequent revision. All trees and other plants included within the approved details shall be healthy, well-formed specimens of a minimum quality that is compatible with British Standard 3936:1992 (Part 1) 'Specifications For Trees & Shrubs' and British Standard 4043 (where applicable) or any subsequent revision. Any trees or other plants which within a period of 5 years from the completion of the development, die, are removed, uprooted, are significantly damaged, become diseased or deformed, shall be replaced during the nearest planting season (1st October to 31st March inclusive) with others of the same size, species and quality as approved.

REASON: In the interests of good landscape design and the visual amenity of the area.

[Core Strategy DPD CS7, BFBLP 'Saved' Policies EN2 and EN20]

06. The first floor and second floor windows in the eastern side elevation of the dwellinghouse on plot 3 and western side elevation of the dwellinghouse on plot 1 hereby permitted shall not be glazed at any time other than with a minimum of Pilkington Level 3 obscure glass (or equivalent). They shall at all times be non-opening unless the parts of the windows that can be opened are more than 1.7m above the floor of the room they serve.

REASON: To prevent the overlooking of neighbouring properties [Relevant policies: BFBLP EN20]

07. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (or any Order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification) no additional windows, similar openings or enlargement thereof shall be constructed at first floor level and above in the east or west facing side elevations of the dwellings hereby permitted except for any which may be shown on the approved drawings.

REASON: To prevent the overlooking of neighbouring property.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP EN20]

08. No development shall be occupied until a means of vehicular access has been constructed in accordance with the approved plans.

REASON: In the interests of highway safety.

[Relevant Policies: Core Strategy DPD CS23]

09. No development shall be occupied until the associated vehicle parking and turning space has been set out in accordance with the approved drawing. The spaces shall thereafter be kept available for parking at all times.

REASON: To ensure that the development is provided with adequate car parking to prevent the likelihood of on-street car parking which would be a danger to other road users.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP M9, Core Strategy DPD CS23]

10. No development shall be occupied until secure and covered parking for bicycles has been provided in accordance with the approved drawings. They shall thereafter be retained as such.

REASON: In order to ensure bicycle facilities are provided.

[Relevant Policies: BFBLP M9, Core Strategy DPD CS23]

11. No development shall take place until a scheme has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, to accommodate:

- (a) Parking of vehicles of site personnel, operatives and visitors
- (b) Loading and unloading of plant and vehicles
- (c) Storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development
- (d) Wheel cleaning facilities
- (e) Temporary portacabins and welfare for site operatives

and each facility shall be retained throughout the course of construction of the development, free from any impediment to its designated use. No other areas on the site, other than those in the approved scheme shall be used for the purposes listed (a) to (e) above.

REASON: In the interests of amenity and road safety.

12. The demolition shall not be begun until a scheme for the provision of biodiversity enhancements (not mitigation), including a plan or drawing showing the location of these enhancements, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The approved scheme shall be performed, observed and complied with.

REASON: In the interests of nature conservation

[Relevant Plans and Policies: CSDPD CS1, CS7]

13. No part of any dwelling shall be occupied until a Sustainability Statement covering water efficiency aimed at achieving an average water use in new dwellings of 110 litres/person/day, has been submitted to, and agreed in writing by, the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be implemented in accordance with the Sustainability Statement, as approved, and retained as such thereafter.

REASON: In the interests of sustainability and the efficient use of resources.

[Relevant Policy: Core Strategy DPD CS10]

14. No construction works shall take place until an Energy Demand Assessment demonstrating that at least 10% of the development's energy will be provided from on-site renewable energy production, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The dwelling as constructed shall be



carried out in accordance with the approved assessment and retained as such thereafter.

REASON: In the interests of sustainability and the efficient use of resources.

[Relevant Policy: Core Strategy DPD CS12]

15. The development shall incorporate surface water drainage that is SuDS compliant and in accordance with DEFRA "Sustainable Drainage Systems - Non-statutory technical standards for sustainable drainage systems" (March 2015). The surface water drainage works shall be completed before occupation of the dwellings/buildings hereby permitted and shall be operated and maintained as such thereafter.

REASON: To prevent increased risk of flooding, to improve and protect water quality and ensure future maintenance of the surface water drainage scheme.

[Relevant Policies: CSDPD CS1, BFBLP EN25]

**CHAIRMAN**