

**Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee
Held on Monday 1st Oct 2012 in the Bush Room**

Consulted: Cllrs. Brian Lee (Chairman), John Cutland, Terry Hunt, Phil Squires, James Sumner, Mike Webb
Bob Phillips (Clerk).

1. Apologies accepted for absence

None

2. Public Participation

None

3. Declaration of Interests

None

4. Planning Applications

9.196 Resolved. The Parish Council noted the application and makes the following comments:

1. We request that more clarity be given to the type of equipment to be installed in these five additional equipment cabins. The site is not in the vicinity of any major telecom network routes and the space to be provided seems extravagant in terms of modern equipment sizes.
2. It is believed the original application to position this compound within the green belt required that extensive landscaping be planted. This has never been carried out and should be completed before any additional cabinets are installed.
3. As this is in green belt it may help to blend the installation into the rural aspect of the site if the cabinets were painted with a more appropriate colour.
4. The Council is supportive of local people as detailed in the concerns raised by the Latteridge Road Community Group.

PT12/3183/PN1	Whitehouse Farm, Earthcott Green	Prior notification of the intention to install 5 no. equipment cabinets within exit compound and associated works.
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5. Planning Permissions Granted

The following applications have been approved with Conditions.

PT12/2113/F	South View Church Road Rudgeway	Demolition of existing single storey extensions and existing conservatory to facilitate the erection of first floor extension to form additional living accommodation. Installation of first floor balcony to rear elevation
PT12/1225/F	Buildings To South Of Street Farm The Street Alveston	Internal and external alterations to existing barns to facilitate the conversion to 1 no. dwelling and 1 no. home office/studio Class B1 with access and associated works. (Resubmission of PT11/2911/F)

6. Planning Permissions Refused

None

7. Applications Withdrawn

None

8. Notice of appeal (Secretary of State)

None

9. Representation at Planning Meetings.

None

10. Appeal decisions

None

11. Enforcement Investigation.

None

12. Licence Application

None

13. Information

None

14. Any Other Business

- 14.1. Oak House, Davids Lane – Cllr Terry Hunt had asked if the Council should check with the SG Planning Enforcement about a possible breach of the planning conditions placed on the developers at Oak House re. the hedge planting in front of the fence.

This item had resulted in an action to the Clerk who before contacting SG has inspected the site and although there are a large number of weeds in evidence, there were a significant number of hedge plants growing. The planning condition doesn't require the site to be weed-free but just to have a hedge planted.

Committee members confirmed that the hedge had been planted. Action closed.

- 14.2. Consultation – Central Reservation Extension, A38 Gloucester Rd/Greenhill.
The meeting considered the plans submitted by SG Council and agreed with the proposal although it was suggested that the planners should ensure there is adequate space for cyclists.

- 14.3. Request from Oldbury PC to support their view that the SG Core Strategy- Policy CS3 should include a requirement for Risk Assessment to all planning applications for Wind Farms.

Although there was some lack of clarity over the issues raised by Oldbury PC, it was generally agreed that because incidents of blade shedding and turbine fires are being reported, the effects of this type of incident should surely be taken into account when considering any planning application for a wind farm. Currently the Core Strategy makes no reference to risk assessment and the committee believes this should be corrected.

More clarity will be sought before the recommendation is put to the full Council.

9.197 Resolved: That the Parish Council should support Oldbury PC's call for risk assessments to be a material part of consideration of a wind farm planning application.

The next meeting of the Planning Committee is on Monday 15th October at 7.00pm.