

**Minutes of the Meeting of Ashurst and Colbury Parish Council Planning Committee on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015, held at the Church Rooms, Deerleap Lane, Colbury.**

**Present;** Cllr P Sopowski (Chair), Cllr Max Coaker, Cllr Caroline Hubbard, Cllr Clive White.  
Clerk to the Council; H Klaassen.  
105 Members of the public.

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**1. Welcome and format for the meeting.**

The Chairman welcomed those present and set out the format that the meeting would take.

**2. Apologies for Absence.**

None.

**3. Declarations of interest.**

None.

**4. Planning Applications for the Committee's Consideration;**

**A. APPLICATION NUMBER: 15/00127/FULL**

**ADDRESS:** Land to the rear of 213 & 219 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst, Southampton, SO40 7AA

**PROPOSAL:** Change of use of land to accommodate 6no tourist cabins; bin store; cycle store; acoustic fencing; access alterations.

The Committee heard from Richard Bridgeman who spoke against the proposal.

Discussion of the plans then ensued and it was unanimously resolved that;

**The Committee would make its recommendation to the park for Option 4 to recommend REFUSAL.**

Reasons; the mobile homes were too densely placed; the site is not a suitable place for this type of development and would be more suited to affordable homes; concerned over the siting, look and size of sound proof barriers; a lack of space; imposition on neighbours; issues surrounding access to the site; concern that the homes would be utilised for longer lets than holidays.

**B. APPLICATION NUMBER: 15/00154/FULL**

**ADDRESS:** Land adjacent to 124 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst, Southampton, SO40 7AU

**PROPOSAL:** New dwelling; alterations to access; hardstanding.

Discussion of the plans ensued and it was unanimously resolved that;

**The Committee would make its recommendation to the park for Option 3 to recommend PERMISSION.**

Reasons; the design of the dwelling is in keeping with the surrounding area; offers minimal impact on surrounding properties; concern was raised regarding the exit from the house being into a bus stop lay-by.

**C. APPLICATION NUMBER: 15/00153/FULL**

**ADDRESS:** 124 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst, Southampton, SO40 7AU

**PROPOSAL:** Single storey front extension; garage; roof alterations; addition of 3no dormer windows, 1no rooflight to facilitate additional first floor accommodation;

alterations to access; hardstanding (demolition of existing conservatory and garage).

Discussion of the plans ensued and it was unanimously resolved that;

**The Committee would make its recommendation to the park for Option 3 to recommend PERMISSION.**

Reasons; the proposed design of the alterations are in keeping with the existing dwelling and surrounding area; there is no negative impact on neighbouring properties; the proposals were a positive enhancement to the current property.

**D. APPLICATION NUMBER: 15/00202/FULL**

**ADDRESS:** 12 Peterscroft Avenue, Ashurst, Southampton, SO40 7AB

**PROPOSAL:** Single storey extension; roof alterations to facilitate additional first floor accommodation; porch alteration.

Discussion of the plans ensued and it was unanimously resolved that;

**The Committee would make its recommendation to the park for Option 1 to recommend PERMISSION, but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.**

Reasons; the design for the alterations and additions was in keeping with the existing dwelling and surrounding area; there were no visual impact issues on neighbouring properties.

**E. APPLICATION NUMBER: 15/00179**

**ADDRESS:** Land at Foxhills, Ashurst, Hampshire.

**PROPOSAL:** 11no. new dwellings (6 affordable, 5 private rented); outbuildings, associated access, landscaping and drainage; Park and Stride Facility.

The Committee heard representations from residents and individuals representing groups, including;

- 1) Emma Lacey of KAACGG, who spoke against the plans;
- 2) Ann Arscott, Chair of Governors, Foxhills Junior School who spoke in favour of the plans;
- 3) Andrew Shore, Head Teacher of Foxhills Junior School, who spoke in favour of the plans;
- 4) Ann Marie Datlen, Yellow Bus Organiser, who spoke in favour of the plans;
- 5) Graham Baker, New Forest Association, who spoke against the plans;
- 6) Tim Jobling, Trustee, Barker Mills Estates.
- 7) Bruce Bamber, Highway Consultant, Barker Mills Estates.

Discussion of the plans ensued and by a vote of 3 for and 1 against (Cllrs Hubbard, White and Coaker for, Cllr Sopowski against) it was resolved that;

**The Committee would make its recommendation to the park for Option 3 to recommend PERMISSION.**

Reasons; The committee felt that the positives of the proposal outweighed the negative. The proposed design of the units and surrounding landscaping was good and fitted well with the NPA's policies and with the Village Design Statement; there is a need for affordable housing in Ashurst which the proposals meet; the proposals provide a workable solution for the traffic issues at Foxhills, resulting less traffic passing through that end of the village; the amount of units proposed is considerably below the national average; the proposals for the Park and Stride and accompanying pathways would provide a safer route to school for many children; that conditions

should be set that, if the development were to go ahead, no more development or in fill on this site be allowed;

Concerns were raised however, that; this development may set an undesirable precedent for building on green field sites, both in this area and in the wider New Forest National Park; that this site would be designated a rural exception site; that the remainder of those fields between the site and the A326 would be developed on should this proposal be given permission; that the proposals were a breach of NPA policy.

**1. Tree Work Applications for the Committee's Consideration;**

**Case Ref:** TPO/15/0248  
**Proposed Works:** T1 & T2 - Oak trees - Crown improvement - Removal (or reduction) of crossing/rubbing branches involving smaller branches up to 5mm dia. at the point of crossing. Remove epicormic growth and dead wood from the crown of the trees.

**Site Address:** 4 Woodside Gardens, Ashurst, Southampton, SO40 7BY  
No comments.

**Case Ref:** TPO/15/0297  
**Proposed Works:** T1 - Oak - Fell to ground level.  
**Site Address:** Front Garden Of The Willows, 72 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst, Southampton, SO40 7BE

Response to Tree Officers; that unless this tree is diseased the Committee would like it to remain. If it is proved to be diseased then it should be replaced with another tree.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **POSSIBLE RESPONSES TO THE NFNPA**

1. We recommend PERMISSION for the reasons listed below but would accept the decision reached by the NFNPA's Officers under their delegated powers.
2. We recommend REFUSAL for the reasons listed below but would accept the decision reached by the NFNPA's Officers under their delegated powers.
3. We recommend PERMISSION for the reasons listed below. \*
4. We recommend REFUSAL for the reasons listed below. \*
5. We are happy to accept the decision reached by the NFNPA's Officers under their delegated powers.

\* Please make sure you give reasons if you respond to one of these options.