MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ASHURST AND COLBURY PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

Held online via Zoom on 20th October 2020 at 6.30pm.

Present: Cllr Caroline Hubbard (Chair), Cllr Clive White, Cllr Sue Robinson, Cllr Andy Austin, Cllr Mike Thomas.

Clerk; Helen Klaassen

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PD/19/102 Apologies for Absence.

PD/19/103 Declarations of Interest.

Cllr Austin declared a personal interest in 128 Lyndhurst Road.

PD/19/104 Minutes of the Last Meeting.

Spelling error: change desking to decking: The minutes were amended.

The minutes were AGREED and the Clerk would provide a copy to the Chair for signing.

PD/19/105 Matters Arising from the Minutes.

None.

PD/19/106 Planning Applications for the Committee's Consideration;

Case No	Address	Proposals	
		Retention of repairs and alterations to canopy, extension to	
20/00629	128 Lyndhurst Road	building; fencing and underground water storage tank	

GHURST & COLBUX

Gateway to the **New Forest**

The Committee heard from a resident, who was representing himself and another neighbour.

The resident noted that: the fencing was built over the pavement and was causing visibility issues for cars exiting onto Ash Road. The cladding on the outside was inappropriate.

There were noise issues from the compressors. The refurbishment of the site was not sympathetic to the area and the committee was asked to recommend refusal.

Recommend Option 4, REFUSAL.

The committee expressed disappointment that the refurbishment of such a highly visible site had been carried out without planning permission and that a more sensitive reworking of the site to fit in with the surrounding area and comply with NFNPA Planning Policies was not achieved.

The development does not comply with DP2 a, b, d, e and f: It is visually intrusive, the cladding on the canopy and the very large plate glass windows are not in keeping with the immediate (residential) area, nor the small shops in the precinct on the opposite side of the road. The lighting is excessively bright, especially at night, and it is clear that the height of the canopy has been raised above the previous.

These aspects make it stand out considerably from properties nearby (conflicting with the requirements of SP7, b and SP17).

DP18, e, 'ensuring development is contextually appropriate': it does not comply, the development is overly large with, as previously mentioned, bright lighting, and inappropriate cladding. It occupies a highly visible location within the village and obtrusively stands out within the village streetscape and the surrounding properties.

There are also noise issues from the power washers, which are now stronger in pressure and can be heard clearly by neighbouring properties (contravening DP2, f) and thus causing adverse impacts for those neighbours.

The development does not comply with DP44 and SP43 as the refurbishment constitutes a departure from these two policies in terms of the impact on the locality and neighbouring properties, traffic and inappropriateness of the building within its surrounding area through the chosen scale, design and materials.

It is also noted that the fence erected has been done so outside of the property and on the footpath. It is inappropriately clad and is constitutes a hazard to pedestrians and other traffic as it reduces the visibility of cars leaving the car wash into Ash Road.

Village Design Statement: The development does not comply with the guidance within the village design statement, namely:

- Development should not impinge on the linear form and character of Ashurst & Colbury.
- Buildings should be constructed of materials which match or complement those currently in use in the nearby area.
- The scale, form and mass of any new development should be in keeping with surrounding buildings and be sympathetic to the character, appearance and rural outlook of the village.

It is noted that the many comments in favour are not concerned in the slightest with planning matters, only with how good a car wash the place provides!

PD	/19/	/106	Tree Work App	plications for	the Committee's	Consideration:

TPO/20/0542	16 Chestnut Drive	Fell 1 x Turkey Oak tree

The committee were happy to leave the decision to the tree officers.

PD/19/107	Ashurst Hospital Chapel.
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Clerk to chase NHS.

PD/19/108 Items for the Next Meeting.

The meeting concluded at 19.1

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