



## Minutes of the Chineham Parish Council Planning Committee

**Date:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022 **Time:** 7.00pm

**Place:** Community Room, Chineham Village Hall, Thornhill Way, Chineham

**Present:** Cllr. Paul Miller (Chair) Cllr. Kirsty Giles  
Cllr. Sue Fuller (Vice Chair) Cllr. Marian Adams  
Ellen Harmon (Assistant Clerk)

### 1. Apologies

There were apologies from Cllr. Shane Bennett

### 2. Minutes of the previous Planning Committee meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022 were signed as a correct record of that meeting.

### 3. New applications

#### 3.1 [T/00276/22/TPO](#) 44 Minden Close Chineham Hampshire RG24 8TH T3, T4 and T7 Oak: fell

The Parish Council's opinion on the application is amply described in the Tree Wardens report (see below) – moreover, we would like to reinforce his comments referencing the inaccuracy of the diagrams provided showing tree positioning/locations.

*“The trees, all three mature oaks, are an important part of the open wooded landscape of Minden Close. As the garden of the property rises at the back of the house the crowns are prominent when viewed from the street and the trees are visible from both the footpath beside the house and from the open space behind the property.*

*This is one of a number of unfortunate recent applications where an extension to a dwelling is moving apart from the structure. It is difficult to understand why a later addition to the house should be moving while the original structure is stable, unless the foundations and construction of the conservatory were inadequate.*

*The Parish Council argues that when structures are built adjacent to mature trees it is the responsibility of the builder and subsequent owners to ensure that the standards of construction are fit for purpose. Deficiencies in the foundations or quality of construction should not be taken as reasons for the removal or reduction of healthy protected trees.*

*It is hoped that the Tree Officer will subject this application to rigorous scrutiny before poor construction standards lead to the loss of these fine trees.*

*Some errors in the submitted documents were noted. The MWA report states that the house was built in 2010, Minden Close was built in late 1970's and early 1980's.*

*More seriously, the Crawford report has a plan with trees marked which bear no relation to the actual trees on the site. T3, T4 and T7 are not even marked on this plan.”*

Signed.....

- 3.2 [T/00258/22/TPO](#) 54 Minden Close Chineham Basingstoke Hampshire RG24 8TH  
T1 Oak: prune. T2 Oak: prune

Once again, the Chineham Parish Council agrees with the comments made by the Tree Warden (see below). We strongly endorse the statement that shading alone is not reason to work on protected trees.

*“The trees, both mature oaks, are an important part of the open wooded landscape of Minden Close. The crowns are prominent when viewed from the street and the trees are visible from both the footpath beside the house and from the open space behind the property.*

*The proposed crown thinning is excessive. Chineham Parish Council is opposed in principle to permission being granted when shading is the stated reason for applications to work on protected trees. Shading is an unavoidable feature of mature native trees.*

*It is suggested that work on T2 be limited to removal of epicormic growth below the crown. Some very limited pruning of the lower branches of T1 where it faces the house could be permitted but not the requested 20% crown thinning.”*

- 3.3 [22/01979/HSE](#) 24 Puttenham Road Chineham Hampshire RG24 8RA  
Single storey rear extension

The Chineham Parish Council has no objections to this application.

4. **To note updates to the following existing applications**  
**(\* CPC OBJECTED # CPC NO OBJECTION ^ CPC COMMENTS)**

- 4.1 **T/00157/22/TPO** 4a Aghemund Close  
Oak: Prune

Granted (missed deadline due to cancelled Planning meeting – no comments made)

- 4.2 **22/01058/HSE** 30 Mulberry Way  
Construction of part two storey, part single storey side extension, new porch and new first floor extension built above existing garage

Granted (Missed deadline due to cancelled Planning meeting – no comments made)

5. **Planning Administration including an update on compliance & enforcement issues**

There were no new updates.

6. **Date of next meeting:**

**7.00pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2022** Community Room, Chineham Village Hall, Thornhill Way (TBC)

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