

WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING, LIGHTING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE ON MONDAY 8 APRIL 2002 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE ANNEX OF THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Mr Dennis (acting Chairman), Mr Vearncombe, Mr Spearing, Mrs Lane and Mr Helliker. The Clerk was also in attendance.

1. Apologies
Mr Roberts

2. Applications

a. Mr & Mrs A C Tebbey, Woodhayes, Willand, Ref 4/59/2002/548

Erection of an extension to provide a guest bedroom / study.

Mr Dennis declared an interest.

Willand Parish Council recommends approval of this application provided that the materials used in the extension are in keeping with the existing building.

b. Mr & Mrs J Biss, 10 Mulberry Close, Willand, Ref 4/59/2002/481

Erection of a playroom extension.

Willand Parish Council recommends refusal of this application on the grounds that the property would not appear to retain the 3 parking spaces as indicated in the application if the extension went ahead as planned. The Council would prefer to see the garage remaining at the front of the extension, with the new play room situated behind. Furthermore, the side elevation suggests two apex roofs which provides a poor visual impact. A flat roof on the front section of the extension would be much more pleasing to the eye.

c. Mrs P L Batson, 32 Beech Close, Willand, Ref 4/59/2002/520

Application to carry out crown works on 3 Sycamores trees, 1 Oak tree and 1 Beech tree, one of which is covered by TPO No15 (Pre 1974) and in a Conservation Area.

Willand Parish Council recommends approval of the works to the 3 Sycamore trees and the Beech tree provided that the work is carried out by a qualified arboriculturalist. However, before Willand Parish Council is prepared to comment on the work intended on the Oak, exact detail is required as to which branches are to be removed, or what percentage crown reduction is intended. The Council awaits further information.

d. Prowtings Development, Willand, Ref 4/59/2001/1307

Reserved Matters for the erection of 92 dwellings with associated garages and roads. Landscaping Plans

Willand Parish Councils recommends approval of the landscaping plans on the proviso that some species are changed for more native, wildlife attracting varieties such as Mountain Ash. Instead of Cotoneaster, the Council would like to see more Hawthorn. The Council also has some specific questions:

- What is being planted around the play area?
- What is Prowtings planned program to manage plants that die off soon after planting?
- Once the site has been adopted by Mid Devon District Council, how will the trees and hedges be managed? What is the planned program?
- What is the long term plan for the trees which currently have TPO status?

e. Mr & Mrs Francis, 9 Blenheim Drive, Willand, Ref 4/59/2002/387

Proposed new dwelling to the rear of Sunnyside, Uffculme Road, Willand. Willand Parish Council would be prepared to recommend approval of the application subject to the Council receiving further information on the materials to be used for the balcony. The Council would actually prefer to see the balcony removed as it would be directly overlooking adjacent properties and also poses a security risk. The Council would prefer to see a chimney on the property to break up the roof line.

f. Mr Robins & Ms Channing, 19 Windsor Close, Cullompton, Ref 4/59/2002/536

Proposed new dwelling to plot 2 rear of Sunnyside, Uffculme Road, Willand. Willand Parish Council recommends refusal of this application at this stage based on highways grounds. The access to the property is extremely narrow and as the plans currently stand, there is no reverse turning point for vehicles at the property. Reversing down such a narrow and winding entrance is unsuitable especially in view of the number of property entrances situated close to the start of the entrance. Furthermore, there are several trees on this site which would require Tree Preservation Orders to be placed on them, before any work on the site is carried out.

g. Mr & Mrs G Roberts, 13 Beech Close, Willand, Ref 4/59/2002/564

Proposed car port including new entrance porch. Willand Parish Council recommends approval of this application.

h. Mr & Mrs Burton, 9 Somerlea, Willand, Ref 4/59/2001/2212

Proposed ground floor extension and new vehicle access to create off street parking. Revised drawings.

Willand Parish Council recommends approval of this application subject to proper consultation with regard to the demolition of the store and workshop and any impact on the boundary wall.

3. Village Hall – Licence Renewal

This items is to be announced by the Chairman at the Full Council meeting on Thursday 11 April.

4. Mrs J E Penny – Pharmacy Update

The Chairman announced that during a recent Mid Devon Planning Committee meeting, the pharmacy was approved with amended opening hours to 9.30am to 3.00pm daily and opening for 2 ½ hours each Saturday.

The being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.30pm.